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THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



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1 **[REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON**

2 **TUESDAY, JANUARY 22, 2019 ON PAGE 154]**

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5 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** GOOD AFTERNOON TO EVERYONE, WE WELCOME YOU
6 TO THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF OUR LOS ANGELES COUNTY
7 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. TODAY IS TUESDAY, JANUARY 22. AND WE
8 TAKE NOTE THAT A FULL COMPLEMENT OF THE BOARD IS PRESENT. AND
9 THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, THE COUNTY COUNSEL, THE EXECUTIVE
10 OFFICER, AND OUR SERGEANT AT ARMS ARE ALL HERE TO ASSIST. WE
11 WILL BEGIN WITH THE INNOVATION LED BY REVEREND ANNA OLSON FROM
12 ST. MARY'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN LOS ANGELES IN THE SECOND
13 DISTRICT. AND THEN WE'LL BE FOLLOWED BY THE PLEDGE, WHICH WILL
14 BE LED BY KIMBERLY GALICIA, FORMER SPECIALIST, UNITED STATES
15 AIR FORCE, MONTEBELLO IN OUR FIRST DISTRICT. [APPLAUSE]
16 PLEASE STAND IF YOU'RE ABLE.

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18 **REVEREND ANNA OLSON:** GOOD AFTERNOON, IT IS A PRIVILEGE TO BE
19 HERE WITH YOU. I COME WITH A GRATEFUL HEART TODAY FOR EACH AND
20 EVERY PERSON IN THIS ROOM WHO HAS COMMITTED THEMSELVES TO
21 PUBLIC SERVICE, TO THE CARE OF ALL OF US WHO LIVE IN LOS
22 ANGELES COUNTY. I'M ALSO GRATEFUL FOR NEWS OF POTENTIAL
23 SETTLEMENT IN THE TEACHER'S STRIKE, WHICH HAS AFFECTED ALL OF
24 US, AND VERY MUCH INCLUDING MY FAMILY. I, AS A PASTOR IN LOS
25 ANGELES COUNTY, HAVE THE PRIVILEGE OF BEING THE RECIPIENT OF

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1 MANY PEOPLE'S HOPES AND DREAMS FOR THEMSELVES AND THEIR
2 FAMILIES. AND, AS WE INVOKE THE PEOPLE OF L.A. COUNTY TODAY,
3 AT THE OPENING OF THIS MEETING, I WOULD INVITE YOU TO CONSIDER
4 THAT WE HAVE THE PRIVILEGE OF SERVING ONE OF THE LARGEST AND
5 MOST DIVERSE COLLECTIONS OF HUMAN HOPES AND DREAMS ANYWHERE ON
6 THIS PLANET. LOS ANGELES COUNTY IS FULL OF PEOPLE WHO HAVE
7 COME FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD, WHO HAVE STARTED THEIR LIVES
8 HERE, AND WHO HAVE JOURNEYED FAR TO GET HERE. AND EACH AND
9 EVERY ONE OF THEM BRINGS NEEDS FOR COMMUNITY, FOR LOVE, FOR
10 FOOD, FOR SHELTER, FOR HOPE, FOR EDUCATION, FOR HEALTH. AND SO
11 MUCH OF THAT BURDEN OF CARE IS ON THE SHOULDERS OF THOSE WHO
12 HAVE ANSWERED THE CALL TO PUBLIC SERVICE IN THIS PLACE. SO I
13 INVITE THE SPIRIT OF ALL THOSE HOPES AND DREAMS AND THE
14 SACREDNESS OF EVERY ONE OF THOSE LIVES THAT WE SERVE INTO THIS
15 PLACE TODAY THAT WE MIGHT REMEMBER THAT EVERY DECISION AND
16 EVERY ISSUE FOR CONSIDERATION, NO MATTER HOW LARGE OR HOW
17 SMALL, NO MATTER HOW DETAILED OR HOW TECHNICAL, IS, IN THE
18 END, ABOUT REAL PEOPLE AND REAL LIVES AND REAL GIFTS AND A
19 VERY SPECIAL PLACE IN WHICH WE ALL SEEK TO MAKE SPACE FOR ONE
20 ANOTHER TO LIVE THOSE HOPES AND THOSE DREAMS. I INVOKE THAT
21 SPIRIT IN THE NAME OF ALL THAT IS HOLY, AMEN.

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23 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** AMEN.

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1 **KIMBERLY GALICIA:** PLEASE JOIN ME FOR THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE.
2 PLACE YOUR RIGHT HAND OVER YOUR HEART. IF YOU ARE A VETERAN,
3 PLEASE FEEL FREE TO RENDER A SALUTE. [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
4 RECITED.]

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6 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR OF THE GREAT SECOND. SUPERVISOR
7 RIDLEY-THOMAS, PLEASE INTRODUCE THE INVOCATER.

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9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH MADAM CHAIR AND
10 COLLEAGUES. WE ARE PLEASED TO HAVE WITH US TODAY THE REVEREND
11 ANA OLSON, WHO WAS KIND ENOUGH TO DELIVER THIS MORNING'S
12 INVOCATION. SHE IS THE DIRECTOR OF THE ST. MARY'S EPISCOPAL
13 CHURCH IN KOREATOWN AND HAS SERVED THE CONGREGATION SINCE
14 2011. SHE IS AN ESTEEMED GRADUATE OF STANFORD UNIVERSITY IN
15 UNION THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY. I KNOW SOMETHING ABOUT UNION
16 THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY. JAMES CONE REIGNED THEIR SIGNIFICANT --
17 HE'S A FRIEND. HE WAS. REVEREND REVEREND OLSON WAS ORDAINED
18 IN 2000 AND HAS SERVED EPISCOPAL CONGREGATIONS ACROSS LOS
19 ANGELES COUNTY FROM EAST HOLLYWOOD TO INGLEWOOD AND LONG
20 BEACH. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AS A VOLUNTEER CHAPLAIN, SHE
21 WORKED WITH INCARCERATED WOMEN AT THE CENTURY REGIONAL
22 DETENTION FACILITY IN THE CITY OF LYNWOOD. REVEREND OLSON'S
23 LEADERSHIP HAS HELPED TO MAKE ST. MARY'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH AN
24 INTEGRAL PART OF THE COMMUNITY THROUGH COMMUNITY GARDENS,
25 CULTURAL ARTS, YOUTH SPORTS PROGRAMS, AND EVEN A HEAD START

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1 PRESCHOOL. SHE IS A PUBLISHED AUTHOR AND A REGULAR BLOG
2 CONTRIBUTOR FOR VITAL PRACTICES, THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH
3 FOUNDATION'S WEBSITE. AS A CREDENTIALLED MEMBER OF THE
4 INTERNATIONAL COACHING FEDERATION, SHE HAS MENTORED AND
5 SUPERVISED NUMEROUS SEMINARIANS AND NEWLY-ORDAINED CLERGY
6 MEMBERS. IN 2018, REVEREND OLSON'S CONGREGATION WAS ONE OF THE
7 FIRST TO IMPLEMENT A SAFE PARKING PROGRAM FOR ANGELENOS LIVING
8 IN THEIR VEHICLES. SHE, AS WELL AS HER CHURCH, ARE PROUDLY
9 SETTING AN EXAMPLE OF YES, IN MY BACKYARD AND IS NOW WORKING
10 WITH U.S.C. STUDENT LEADERS TO PROVIDE OVERNIGHT SHELTER TO
11 COLLEGE STUDENTS EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS. AND, SINCE 1998,
12 REVEREND OLSON HAS BEEN A RESIDENT OF LOS ANGELES AND
13 CURRENTLY RESIDES IN KOREATOWN WITH HER HUSBAND AND THEIR TWO
14 CHILDREN. SO, IT IS WITH A GREAT DEGREE OF GRATITUDE THAT WE
15 EXPRESS APPRECIATION FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP IN THE COMMUNITY,
16 INCLUDING YOUR WORK TO PROVIDE MUCH-NEEDED ASSISTANCE TO OUR
17 HOMELESS BROTHERS AND SISTERS, AND FOR GIVING THE INVOCATION
18 AT THIS MORNING'S BOARD OF SUPERVISORS THIS MEETING. AND SO
19 IT'S ON BEHALF OF THE ENTIRE BOARD THAT I PRESENT YOU WITH
20 THIS CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION. A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE FOR
21 THE REVEREND MARY OLSON. [APPLAUSE].

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23 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

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1 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND GOOD AFTERNOON,
2 EVERYONE. I WANT TO THANK MISS KIMBERLY GALICIA, WHO WAS BORN
3 AND RAISED IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY AND CURRENTLY RESIDES IN
4 THE FIRST DISTRICT IN THE BEAUTIFUL CITY OF MONTEBELLO. SHE
5 ALSO SPEND TIME WORKING IN EAST LOS ANGELES FOR THE COUNTY.
6 AFTER ATTENDING HIGH SCHOOL, MISS GALICIA SERVED IN THE UNITED
7 STATES AIR FORCE FROM 2002 TO 2005. SHE ACHIEVED THE RANK OF
8 SPECIALIST WHILE SERVING AND WAS PART OF THE SECURITY FORCES
9 SQUADRON, WHICH IS THE MILITARY POLICE. UPON HER RETURN, MISS
10 GALICIA RETURNED HOME TO THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY AND GRADUATED
11 FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF PHOENIX. SHE IS NOW A BUILDING PERMIT
12 TECHNICIAN WITH OUR OWN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. IT IS WITH
13 GREAT PLEASURE AND PRIDE THAT I PRESENT THIS CERTIFICATE OF
14 APPRECIATION TO HER ON BEHALF OF HER DEDICATION AND SERVICE TO
15 OUR COUNTRY. PLEASE JOIN ME IN RECOGNIZING HER. [APPLAUSE].

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17 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE
18 CALL OUR AGENDA.

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20 **LORAYNE LINGAT, A.E.O.:** THANK YOU. MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF
21 THE BOARD, TODAY'S AGENDA WILL BEGIN ON PAGE THREE, SPECIAL
22 DISTRICT AGENDA. THIS IS THE AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE
23 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION. ON PAGE 4, PUBLIC HEARINGS,
24 ITEMS 1 THROUGH 5, ON ITEM 2, SUPERVISOR HAHN REQUEST THAT
25 THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO FEBRUARY 26, 2019. THE REMAINING

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1 ITEMS WILL BE HELD FOR PUBLIC HEARING. ON PAGE 6, CONSENT
2 CALENDAR, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ITEMS 6 THROUGH 12. ON PAGE 9,
3 CONSENT CALENDAR -- I'M SORRY, ON ITEM 8, SUPERVISOR BARGER
4 AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC HAVE REQUESTED THAT THESE ITEMS BE
5 HELD. AND ON ITEM 9, SUPERVISOR BARGER AND MEMBERS OF THE
6 PUBLIC HAVE REQUESTED THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 12,
7 SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC HAVE REQUESTED THAT
8 THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON PAGE 9, CONSENT CALENDAR ADMINISTRATIVE
9 MATTERS, ITEMS 13 THROUGH 20, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC HAVE
10 REQUESTED TO HOLD THESE ITEMS. SO THE REMAINING ITEMS THROUGH
11 17 WILL BE HELD. AND THE CONTINUANCE IS BEFORE YOU.

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13 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** SO THAT WILL BE MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL
14 AND SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER TO APPROVE THESE ITEMS. IF
15 THERE ARE NO OBJECTIONS TO A UNANIMOUS VOTE, THAT WILL BE THE
16 ORDER.

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18 **LORAYNE LINGAT, A.E.O.:** THANK YOU. ON PAGE 16, SEPARATE
19 MATTER, ITEM 21, ITEM 21 IS A RECOMMENDATION TO CHANGE THE
20 EMPLOYMENT STATUS AND ESTABLISH THE SALARY FOR EARL FRED LEAF
21 TO SERVE AS INTERIM DIRECTOR, LOS ANGELES COUNTY HEALTH AGENCY
22 AT AN ANNUAL SALARY OF \$404,190 TO BE REEMPLOYED JANUARY 22,
23 2019. ON THIS ITEM, SUPERVISOR HAHN REQUESTS TO BE RECORDED AS
24 ABSTAINING FROM THE VOTE. AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC HAVE
25 REQUESTED TO HOLD THIS ITEM. THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE

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1 AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PRESENTATIONS WILL BEGIN WITH
2 SUPERVISOR BARGER.

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4 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR BARGER.

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6 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. IT IS MY HONOR TO
7 RECOGNIZE A STUDENT FROM THE 5TH DISTRICT WHOSE IMPACT LOCALLY
8 HAS A RIPPLE EFFECT ACROSS OUR COUNTRY. NATHAN HICKEY IS A
9 SENIOR AT MONROVIA HIGH SCHOOL WHO HAS FOUND HIS PASSION AT
10 THE INTERSECTION OF CYCLING AND COMMUNITY SERVICE. HE HAS BEEN
11 AN AVID BIKE RIDER AND RACER SINCE HE WAS YOUNG -- AND YOU ARE
12 STILL ARE YOUNG, BY THE WAY, AND IS ONE OF THE FOUNDING
13 MEMBERS OF THE MONROVIA HIGH SCHOOL MOUNTAIN BIKING TEAM.
14 [APPLAUSE]. YAY. WHEN HE WAS 8 YEARS OLD, NATHAN BEGAN
15 VOLUNTEERING WITH THE PABLOVE FOUNDATION, WHOSE MISSION IS TO
16 IMPROVE THE LIVES OF CHILDREN LIVING WITH CANCER AND INVEST IN
17 UNDERFUNDED CUTTING-EDGE PEDIATRIC CANCER RESEARCH. I WOULD
18 LIKE TO PLAY A SHORT VIDEO CLIP AND HAVE NATHAN TELL YOU A
19 LITTLE BIT MORE ABOUT WHY THIS CAUSE MATTERS TO HIM. LET ME GO
20 AHEAD AND PLAY THAT. IT IS REALLY GOOD. WHILE THEY ARE DOING
21 THAT, I'M GOING TO GIVE THIS TO YOU, NATHAN, HAVE YOU HOLD ON
22 TO THIS. AND I WILL CONTINUE, AND THEN WE'LL LOOK AT THE VIDEO
23 AND LET YOU MAKE SOME COMMENTS. WHEN YOU DID THIS, YOU REALLY
24 DID CHANGE THE LIVES OF MANY PEOPLE. AND AS SOMEONE WHO IS ON
25 THE BOARD, WE LOOK UP TO YOU BECAUSE YOU ARE OUR FUTURE. AND

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1 YOU REALLY ARE WHO WE ARE GOING TO PASS THE BATON TO WHEN WE
2 ARE DONE IN PUBLIC SERVICE. SO WITH THAT, WHY DON'T YOU SAY A
3 FEW WORDS. AND WE WILL PUT THE VIDEO UP.

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5 **NATHAN HICKEY:** HI, EVERYBODY. IT HAS BEEN A GREAT 10 YEARS
6 WITH THE PABLOVE FOUNDATION. I HAVE BEEN ABLE TO USE MY
7 ATHLETICISM AND SOCIAL SKILLS TO RAISE MONEY FOR A GREAT CAUSE
8 THAT AFFECTS SO MANY PEOPLE IN THIS NATION. IT HAS BEEN A
9 GREAT 10 YEARS. AND I JUST WANT TO THANK MY FAMILY, MY
10 FRIENDS, AND THE PABLOVE FOUNDATION FOR JOINING ME ON THIS
11 RIDE AND BRINGING ME ALONG, TOO. THANK YOU.

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13 **SUP. BARGER:** I WANT TO THROUGH OUT A FEW STATISTICS. YOU
14 PARTICIPATED AND CYCLED 550 MILES FROM SAN FRANCISCO TO LOS
15 ANGELES. YOU CYCLED TO RAISE \$85,00 FOR THIS IMPORTANT CAUSE.
16 AND YOU AND YOUR DAD PLAN TO PARTICIPATE IN THE 2019 PABLOVE
17 CROSS AMERICA PELATON IN SEPTEMBER FOR A NEW JOURNEY FROM LAKE
18 TAHOE TO LOS ANGELES. WE ARE ROOTING ON YOU AS YOU TAKE ON
19 THIS AMAZING FEAT AND, ONCE AGAIN, JOINED BY YOUR DAD. OUR
20 COMMUNITY TRULY IS A BETTER PLACE BECAUSE OF YOU ACTUALLY THE
21 LEADERSHIP OF YOUR FATHER. SO, WOULD YOU LIKE TO SAY A FEW
22 WORDS AS WELL?

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24 **KIRK MCGINNIS:** MY NAME IS KIRK MCGINNIS. AND I'M THE PRINCIPAL
25 AT MONROVIA HIGH SCHOOL. IT IS AN OUTSTANDING HONOR AND

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1 PRIVILEGE TO RECOGNIZE STUDENTS LIKE NATHAN, FOR THEY ARE THE
2 ONES THAT ARE CHANGING THE CULTURE ON OUR CAMPUS AND IN OUR
3 COMMUNITIES. WE ARE ALL SO VERY FORTUNATE FOR YOUNG LEADERS
4 LIKE THIS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO
5 RECOGNIZE HIM. [APPLAUSE].

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7 **SUP. BARGER:** WE'RE GOING TO PUT IT UP ON THE COUNTY'S WEBSITE
8 FOR EVERYONE TO LOOK AT BECAUSE IT IS NOT WORKING. BUT I DO
9 WANT EVERYONE TO GO ONTO THE COUNTY WEBSITE OR GO ONTO MY
10 WEBSITE AND TAKE A LOOK AT THIS VIDEO. AND REALLY IT CAPTURES
11 WHAT EXACTLY YOU WERE DOING AND WILL INSPIRE MANY IF YOU
12 WATCH. I PROMISE YOU THAT. YEAH, THAT'S HIM. I KNOW I SAID,
13 "HOW LONG AGO WAS THAT?"

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15 **NATHAN HICKEY:** PROBABLY 9 OR 10 YEARS AGO.

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17 **SUP. BARGER:** 9 OR 10 YEARS AGO, HE WAS YOUNG. SO, WITH THAT --
18 THANK YOU, NATHAN. I'M SORRY ABOUT THAT. [APPLAUSE]. OKAY,
19 GOOD.

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21 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY, SUPERVISOR BARGER, YOU HAVE THE NEXT
22 ONE AS WELL.

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24 **SUP. BARGER:** AND THIS ONE, I'M NOT GOING TO LIFT UP. THIS IS
25 SHASTA, A GERMAN SHEPHERD/HUSKY MIX, ONE YEAR, FEMALE,

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1 AVAILABLE AT THE COUNTY SHELTER. SHE IS ABSOLUTELY THE
2 SWEETEST DOG. 562-728-4610. ONE YEAR OLD, OWNER SURRENDER,
3 LOVEABLE, REALLY, REALLY, REALLY FULL OF LIFE. SO, I WOULD
4 ENCOURAGE SOMEONE WHO WANTS TO ADOPT THAT'S GOT A BACKYARD AND
5 LIKES TO GO FOR A LOT OF WALKS BECAUSE SHE'S GOING TO NEED A
6 LOT OF THAT. THIS IS SHASTA. SHASTA, SAY HI.

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8 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** AW, HER SCARF MATCHES YOUR BLOUSE.

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10 **SUP. BARGER:** AND THERE ARE MANY MORE SHASTAS AVAILABLE FOR
11 ADOPTION. SHE IS REALLY FULL OF ENERGY AND IS DEFINITELY HOUSE
12 TRAINED. THIS IS LATTE. AND LATTE IS ALSO AVAILABLE FOR
13 ADOPTION AT THE SHELTER, 562-728-4610. AND LATTE IS VERY
14 LOVING AND VERY GENTLE AND JUST A SWEET, WONDERFUL CAT. GO ON
15 THE WEBSITE, OR GO IN PERSON. AND I WOULD ENCOURAGE YOU ALL TO
16 ADOPT. THAT'S ALL I HAVE, MADAM CHAIR.

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18 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. AND THE NEXT PRESENTATION WILL BE
19 BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

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21 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I WANT TO THANK THE
22 VARIOUS REPRESENTATIVES THAT ARE HERE WITH ME THIS AFTERNOON,
23 COUNTY DEPARTMENTS, THE C.E.O., COUNTY COUNSEL, L.A. COUNTY
24 OFFICE OF EDUCATION, PARKS AND RECREATION, PROBATION, PUBLIC
25 HEALTH, PUBLIC LIBRARY, AND W.D.A.C.S.. COMMUNITY-BASED

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1 ORGANIZATIONS THAT HAVE ALSO JOINED US TODAY ARE CATHOLIC BIG
2 BROTHERS, BIG SISTERS L.A. COUNTY, L.A. TEEN MENTORING, MIXED
3 ROOTS FOUNDATION, MENTORING AND PARTNERSHIP FOR YOUTH
4 DEVELOPMENT, FLINTRIDGE CENTER, POWER FOR YOUTH, A STEP AHEAD,
5 AND IMAGINE L.A. I NAME THEM BECAUSE TODAY WE WANT TO
6 RECOGNIZE OUR COUNTY EMPLOYEE YOUTH MENTORING PROGRAM. YOU
7 KNOW, LAST MONTH, SOME OF YOU MAY NOT HAVE KNOWN THIS, BUT,
8 HERE AT THE BOARD, A MOTION WAS PUT FORWARD DIRECTING THE
9 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES TO CONTRACT WITH COMMUNITY
10 PROVIDERS TO EXPAND TRAUMA RESPONSIVE SCHOOL-BASED
11 INTERVENTIONS IN SUPPORT OF MY BROTHER'S KEEPER COMMUNITY
12 CHALLENGE GRANT. THAT EFFORT WILL INSERT MENTAL HEALTH-RELATED
13 PROGRAMMING INTO SCHOOLS WITH THE AIM OF HELPING MALES OF
14 COLOR AND HELP THEM BETTER NAVIGATE SCHOOLS AND ACHIEVE
15 ACADEMICALLY. THE MONTH OF JANUARY IS NATIONAL MENTORING
16 MONTH. THAT'S WHY WE'RE HERE. ON APRIL 14, 2015, OUR BOARD
17 ACCEPTED THE MY BROTHER'S KEEPER CHALLENGE LAUNCHED BY MY
18 FORMER EMPLOYER, FORMER PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA. YOU CAN SAY --
19 [APPLAUSE], IN FEBRUARY OF 2014 AND DIRECTED THE C.E.O. TO
20 DEVELOP STRATEGIES THAT WOULD IMPROVE THE OUTCOMES OF BOYS
21 AND YOUNG MEN OF COLOR. MENTORING HAS BEEN HIGHLIGHTED BY MY
22 BROTHER'S KEEPER INITIATIVE AS THE BEST PRACTICE AND WAS A
23 RECOMMENDATION IN THE C.E.O.'S REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD.
24 RESEARCH HAS SHOWN US THAT MENTORS CAN STEM INDICATORS THAT
25 FORETELL FUTURE LIFE CHALLENGES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE. AND IN A

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1 STUDY BACK IN 2013, THAT REPORT SHOWED THAT THE STRONGEST
2 BENEFIT FOR MENTORING AND THE MOST CONSISTENT ACROSS RISK
3 GROUPS WAS A REDUCTION IN DEPRESSIVE SYMPTOMS. THE ABILITY FOR
4 YOUTH TO NAVIGATE AND COPE WITH ADOLESCENT DEVELOPMENT IS
5 OFTEN VERY STRESSFUL IN OUR COMMUNITIES. AND A KEY ABILITY FOR
6 THEIR SUCCESS IS HAVING MENTORS THAT CAN SHAPE THEM FOR THEIR
7 ADULT LIFE. STUDENTS WHO MEET REGULARLY WITH THEIR MENTORS ARE
8 52 PERCENT LESS LIKELY THAN THEIR PEERS TO SKIP A DAY OF
9 SCHOOL AND 37 PERCENT LESS LIKELY TO SKIP CLASS. YOUNG ADULTS
10 WHO FACE AN OPPORTUNITY GAP, BUT HAVE A MENTOR, ARE 55 PERCENT
11 MORE LIKELY TO BE ENROLLED IN COLLEGE THAN THOSE WHO DID NOT
12 HAVE A MENTOR. IT JUST MAKES SENSE. [APPLAUSE.] IN ADDITION,
13 TO BETTER SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AND A BETTER CHANCE OF GOING ON
14 INTO HIGHER EDUCATION, MENTORED YOUTH MAINTAIN BETTER
15 ATTITUDES TOWARD THEIR FAMILIES AND SCHOOL. IT GIVES ME A
16 GREAT DEAL OF PRIDE TO INTRODUCE OUR NEXT SPEAKER, LISA
17 GARRETT, OUR DIRECTOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES.
18 SHE HAS WORKED TIRELESSLY TO IMPLEMENT THIS PROGRAM. SHE ALSO
19 HAD HOPE, INSPIRATION, AND FELT THE POWER. WITH THAT, I GIVE
20 YOU LISA GARRETT.

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22 **LISA GARRETT:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR SOLIS. AND THANK
23 YOU TO OUR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR BEING CHAMPIONS OF MY
24 BROTHER'S KEEPER INITIATIVE. [APPLAUSE]. AND TODAY, I HAVE THE
25 AWESOME PRIVILEGE OF ANNOUNCING THE LAUNCH OF THE COUNTY

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1 EMPLOYEE YOUTH MENTORING PROGRAM! [APPLAUSE]. WE KNOW THE
2 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES HAS THE MOST DIVERSE AND DYNAMIC
3 WORKFORCE, NOT ONLY IN OUR REGION, BUT IN THE COUNTRY, IS THAT
4 RIGHT? AND WE BELIEVE THAT OUR EMPLOYEES WILL GLADLY SHARE
5 THEIR WISDOM, THEIR EXPERIENCES, AND THEIR PROFESSIONAL
6 KNOWLEDGE WITH YOUTH IN THEIR OWN COMMUNITIES AND THROUGHOUT
7 THE ENTIRE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. THE GOAL OF THIS MENTORING
8 PROGRAM IS TO IDENTIFY COUNTY EMPLOYEES WHO ARE WILLING TO
9 MENTOR AND COACH, BOTH AT-RISK YOUTH, AND THOSE IN UNDER-
10 SERVED COMMUNITIES, EVEN THOSE THAT ARE JUSTICE INVOLVED. AND
11 TO ACCOMPLISH THIS PRIORITY, WE WILL PARTNER WITH LONG-
12 STANDING AND PROVEN COMMUNITY-BASED MENTORING PROGRAMS OF
13 WHICH YOU SEE TEN OF THEM STANDING HERE THIS MORNING.
14 [APPLAUSE]. OUR FIRST GOAL IS TO GET AT LEAST 500 MOTIVATED
15 COUNTY EMPLOYEES. DO YOU HEAR ME OUT THERE IF YOU ARE LOOKING
16 ONLINE? 500 MOTIVATED COUNTY EMPLOYEES TO SIGN UP AND
17 PARTICIPATE IN THIS EFFORT FOR AT LEAST ONE YEAR. CAN WE DO
18 IT? SI SE PUEDE, YES WE CAN! AS FRANKLIN ROOSEVELT SAID, I
19 LOVE THIS QUOTE, "WE CANNOT ALWAYS BUILD THE FUTURE FOR OUR
20 YOUTH, BUT WE CAN BUILD OUR YOUTH FOR THE FUTURE." AND THAT IS
21 EXACTLY WHAT THIS PROGRAM IS GOING TO DO. [APPLAUSE]. SO
22 PLEASE HELP ME THANK AND RECOGNIZE OUR COMMUNITY PARTNERS.
23 THAT THE SUPERVISORS ALREADY MENTIONED. WE HAVE THE CHIEF
24 EXECUTIVE OFFICE, COUNTY COUNSEL, L.A.C.O., PARKS AND REC,
25 PROBATION, PUBLIC HEALTH, PUBLIC LIBRARY, AND W.D.A.C.S. THEY

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1 HAVE ALL BEEN CRITICAL TO THIS EFFORT. AND NOW, ONE OF THE
2 GREATEST CHAMPIONS OF THIS MENTORING PROGRAM HAS BEEN AND
3 CONTINUES TO BE FESIA DAVENPORT, THE ASSISTANT CHIEF EXECUTIVE
4 OFFICER.

5

6 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** THANK YOU, LISA. THANK YOU TO OUR HONORABLE
7 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. AND THANK YOU TO SUPERVISOR SOLIS. THIS
8 DAY HAS BEEN A LONG TIME COMING. WE KNOW THAT THE NEED FOR
9 MENTORS IS ESSENTIAL. AND IT WAS INCLUDED AS A FOUNDATIONAL
10 COMPONENT OF THE C.E.O.'S INITIAL M.B.K. PLAN. I WILL NOT
11 REPEAT SOME OF THE OTHER COMMENTS THAT HAVE ALREADY BEEN MADE.
12 I WILL SHARE THAT THIS MENTORING EFFORT SUPPORTS SOME OF OUR
13 OTHER M.B.K. STRATEGIES. AND SO FOR THOSE OF YOU WHO HAVE BEEN
14 WATCHING THE M. B.K. PLAYBOOK, YOU MAY RECALL THAT THIS BOARD
15 HAS ADOPTED AND IMPLEMENTED A COUNTY-WIDE YOUTH DIVERSION
16 PROGRAM [APPLAUSE]. AS WE HAVE YOUTH THAT ARE DIVERTED AWAY
17 FROM LAW ENFORCEMENT AND TOWARDS COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS
18 AND PROVIDERS FOR SERVICES, MENTORING WILL BE A KEY COMPONENT
19 OF THAT PLAN. WE ALSO KNOW THAT, AS WE WORK WITH OUR SCHOOLS
20 AND TRY TO IMPLEMENT THE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS INITIATIVE THAT HAS
21 BEEN CHAMPIONED BY L.A.C.O. AND OUR BOARD, THAT MENTORING
22 SERVICES IS ALSO A CRITICAL COMPONENT OF THAT EFFORT AS WELL.
23 AND BOTH OF THOSE WERE ENVISIONED, THOSE TYPES OF INITIATIVES,
24 WERE ENVISIONED IN OUR ORIGINAL M.B.K. IMPLEMENTATION PLAN. SO
25 AGAIN, I WANT TO THANK ALL OF OUR PARTNERS, OUR COMMUNITY-

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1 BASED PARTNERS, AND OUR DEPARTMENTS THAT WALKED THIS JOURNEY
2 WITH US. AND LET'S SEE, I THINK WE CAN DO MORE THAN 500
3 EMPLOYEES. SO THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE].

4

5 **SPEAKER:** OKAY, LET'S MOVE THIS OUT OF THE WAY AND WE WILL TAKE
6 A QUICK PICTURE HERE. THANK YOU ALL. WATCH OUT, WE DON'T WANT
7 TO HIT ANYONE. [APPLAUSE].

8

9 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, EVERYBODY. AND THAT CONCLUDES OUR
10 PRESENTATIONS. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE PLAY THE CODE
11 OF CONDUCT.

12

13 **SPEAKER:** LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MAY I PLEASE HAVE YOUR
14 ATTENTION. THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF
15 SUPERVISORS IS ABOUT TO COMMENCE. A CODE OF CONDUCT WILL NOW
16 BE READ, AND WE REQUEST THAT YOU COMPLY WITH IT TO ENSURE THE
17 EFFICIENT ADMINISTRATION OF THE MEETING. MEMBERS OF THE
18 PUBLIC, IT IS YOUR RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE IN TODAY'S BOARD
19 HEARING, AND THE BOARD ENCOURAGES SUCH PARTICIPATION. HOWEVER,
20 THE RIGHT OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD MUST BE BALANCED
21 WITH THE NEED TO ENSURE THAT PUBLIC COMMENT DOES NOT INTERFERE
22 WITH THE ORDERLY COURSE OF THE BOARD'S BUSINESS. ALL ARE
23 REMINDED TO ABIDE BY THE FOLLOWING RULES: SPEAKERS MUST CEASE
24 SPEAKING IMMEDIATELY WHEN THEIR TIME HAS ENDED. PUBLIC COMMENT
25 ON AGENDA ITEMS MUST RELATE TO THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THAT

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1 ITEM. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT IS LIMITED TO SUBJECTS WITHIN THE
2 JURISDICTION OF THE BOARD. PUBLIC COMMENT DOES NOT INCLUDE THE
3 RIGHT TO ENGAGE IN A DIALOGUE WITH BOARD MEMBERS OR STAFF.
4 PLEASE REMAIN RESPECTFUL OF THE FORUM AND REFRAIN FROM
5 UTTERING, WRITING, OR DISPLAYING PROFANE, PERSONAL,
6 THREATENING, DEROGATORY, DEMEANING, OR OTHER ABUSIVE
7 STATEMENTS TOWARD THE BOARD, ANY MEMBER THEREOF, STAFF, OR ANY
8 OTHER PERSON. MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE SHOULD BE RESPECTFUL OF
9 THE VIEWS EXPRESSED BY SPEAKERS, STAFF, AND BOARD MEMBERS AND
10 MAY NOT CLAP, CHEER, WHISTLE, OR OTHERWISE DISRUPT THE ORDERLY
11 CONDUCT OF THE MEETING. ANY PERSON ENGAGING IN CONDUCT THAT
12 DISRUPTS THE MEETING IS SUBJECT TO BEING REMOVED FROM THE
13 BOARD MEETING. AND, FINALLY, IF YOU WITNESS CONDUCT OR
14 BEHAVIOR BY OTHER MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT DISRUPTS YOUR
15 ABILITY TO REMAIN ENGAGED OR PARTICIPATE IN THIS MEETING,
16 PLEASE NOTIFY THE SERGEANT AT ARMS OR OTHER COUNTY STAFF.
17 THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION.

18

19 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY, COLLEAGUES. LET ME TELL YOU, AND THE
20 AUDIENCE, WHAT OUR PLAN IS FOR TODAY. WE'RE GOING TO BEGIN
21 WITH THE PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS 1 AND 3 THROUGH 5, AND THAT WILL
22 BE FOLLOWED BY ITEMS 8 AND 9, AND FINALLY ITEM 12. AND NOW,
23 MADAME EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE SWEAR THE MEMBERS OF THE
24 PUBLIC WHO ARE REQUESTING TO SPEAK ON THESE PUBLIC HEARING
25 ITEMS.

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1

2 **LORAYNE LINGAT, A.E.O.:** THANK YOU. ALL THOSE WHO PLAN TO
3 TESTIFY BEFORE THE BOARD ON THE PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS, PLEASE
4 STAND AND RAISE YOUR RIGHT HAND TO BE SWORN IN. IN THE
5 TESTIMONY YOU MAY GIVE BEFORE THE BOARD, DO YOU SOLEMNLY SWEAR
6 TO TELL THE TRUTH, THE WHOLE TRUTH, AND NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH,
7 SO HELP YOU GOD? THANK YOU. MADAM CHAIR, ON ITEM 1, THIS IS A
8 HEARING ON THE PROPOSED VACATION OF A PORTION OF THE ALLEY
9 NORTH OF WHITTIER BOULEVARD AND EAST OF EASTMONT AVENUE IN THE
10 UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF EAST LOS ANGELES. THERE ARE
11 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO HAVE REQUESTED TO SPEAK ON THIS
12 ITEM. WE ALSO HAVE A DEPARTMENTAL STATEMENT. AND NO
13 CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED.

14

15 **SHARI AFSHARI:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE
16 BOARD. MY NAME IS SHARI AFSHARI. AND I'M A DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF
17 PUBLIC WORKS OVERSEEING THE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES CORE
18 SERVICE AREA. THE PURPOSE OF THESE ACTIONS BEFORE YOU TODAY IS
19 TO SEEK BOARD APPROVAL TO VACATE AN ACCESS ROAD EASEMENT IN A
20 PORTION OF THE ALLEY NORTH OF WHITTIER BOULEVARD AND EAST OF
21 EASTMONT AVENUE, LOCATED IN THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF
22 EAST LOS ANGELES. THE VACATION WILL PROVIDE ADDITIONAL SPACE
23 FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO AN EXISTING MCDONALD'S RESTAURANT. I
24 REVIEWED THE INVESTIGATION THAT WAS CONDUCTED BY MEMBERS OF MY
25 STAFF IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROPOSED VACATION. I HAVE

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1 CONCLUDED THAT THE ROAD EASEMENT IS NO LONGER NEEDED FOR
2 PUBLIC USE. EASEMENT AND RIGHTS-OF-WAY FOR UTILITY PURPOSES
3 WILL BE RESERVED WITHIN THE INVOLVED AREA IN FAVOR OF THE
4 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES PACIFIC BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY DOING
5 BUSINESS AS A.T.&T., CALIFORNIA, CALIFORNIA WATER SERVICE, AND
6 CROWN CASTLE FIBER. I HAVE CONCLUDED THAT THE PUBLIC
7 CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY REQUIRE THE RESERVATION OF THESE
8 EASEMENTS. AND NOTICE OF THE TIME AND PLACE OF THE PUBLIC
9 HEARING REGARDING THIS ROAD VACATION VACATION HAS BEEN POSTED
10 ALONG THE PROPOSED VACATION AREA AND PUBLISHED FOR TWO
11 SUCCESSIVE WEEKS IN A NEWSPAPER OF GENERAL CIRCULATION. WE ARE
12 AWARE OF NO FORMAL PROTEST TO THE PROPOSED ROAD VACATION.

13

14 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, THAT CONCLUDES THE DEPARTMENT
15 STATEMENT. MADAME EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THOSE
16 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS
17 ITEM.

18

19 **LORAYNE LINGAT, A.E.O.:** WOULD THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE
20 COME FORWARD, AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU? CARLOS MADRIGAL, ERIC
21 PREVEN, HERMAN HERMAN, AND ANTONIA RAMIREZ. PLEASE COME
22 FORWARD.

23

24 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MR. PREVEN. GO AHEAD.

25

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1 **ERIC PREVEN:** THANK YOU. IT'S ERIC PREVEN FROM THE THIRD
2 DISTRICT. THIS IS IN SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT ONE. OBVIOUSLY
3 THESE ARE OUR TREASURED PARTNERS AT MCDONALD'S. SO I THINK
4 THAT A MOMENT OF RESPECT IS IN ORDER FOR THAT ONE. AND THEY
5 ARE GETTING 1600 SQUARE FEET OF EASEMENT FOR, I BELIEVE, IT IS
6 \$20,000. SO THANK YOU, SIR. I DON'T KNOW, THAT SEEMS FAIR,
7 RIGHT? YEAH, FAIR ENOUGH. SO THESE ARE THE EASEMENTS WHERE WE
8 VACATE THE PROPERTY. AND IT IS OUT FRONT WHAT WE ARE DOING.
9 AND I THINK PEOPLE APPRECIATE IT. THAT IS TO COVER THE COSTS.
10 IT WAS ACROSS THE STREET WHERE WE DO VACATIONS OF PROPERTY
11 WHERE THEY MOVE THEM INTO MITCHELL ENGLANDER'S PUBLIC SAFETY
12 MEETING, BIZARRELY AND STRANGELY, AND THEN STARTED GETTING
13 PEOPLE TO KIND OF COORDINATE WITH ONE ANOTHER. IT'S VERY, VERY
14 BAD OVER THERE. SO FORTUNATELY, OVER HERE, THINGS ARE BRIGHT
15 AND AIRY AND CLEAN. AND MCDONALD'S IS ONLY PAYING \$20,000,
16 WHICH FEELS LIKE A SLIGHT REASONABLE, MODEST CHARGE FOR OUR
17 TREASURED PARTNERS. I ASSUME THEY ARE GOING TO BE ADDING SOME
18 KIND OF FRESH FOOD BECAUSE THAT'S WHAT WE NEED ALL THROUGHOUT
19 THE COUNTY. AND THANK YOU, SHARI, FOR LOOKING AFTER THAT.

20

21 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

22

23 **CARLOS MADRIGAL:** HI, MY NAME IS CARLOS MADRIGAL WITH
24 MCDONALD'S CORPORATION. AND BASICALLY, I WAS JUST HERE TO
25 ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS THAT THE EASEMENT OR THE VACATION THAT'S

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1 GOING IT IS ACTUALLY ALREADY IN PLACE. IT'S LANDSCAPE. IT IS A
2 TWO-FOOT LANDSCAPE BUFFER ON THE ALLEY SIDE. WITH THAT, I HAVE
3 NOTHING MORE OTHER THAN TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS IF THAT IS
4 NEEDED.

5

6 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, I DON'T THINK THAT IS NEEDED AT
7 THIS TIME. BUT THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. NO MORE SPEAKERS
8 ON THIS ITEM. OKAY, THEN IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO CLOSE THE
9 PUBLIC HEARING AND VOTE ON THIS ITEM. SO COLLEAGUES, ITEM 1 IS
10 BEFORE US. IT'S MOVED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AND IT'S SECONDED
11 BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS TO APPROVE THIS ITEM. IF THERE ARE
12 NO OBJECTIONS TO A UNANIMOUS VOTE, THAT WILL BE THE ORDER.

13

14 **LORAYNE LINGAT, A.E.O.:** THANK YOU. WE WILL NOW MOVE TO ITEM 3.
15 ITEM 3 IS A HEARING ON A RESOLUTION UPDATING THE DEVELOPER FEE
16 PROGRAM TO APPROVE THE FIRE STATION PLAN, THE DISTRICT'S
17 DEVELOPER FEE FUNDS, 2017-18 FISCAL YEAR END REPORT, THE 2018
18 DEVELOPER FEE UPDATE FEE CALCULATION, SUMMARY, TO INCREASE THE
19 RATE IN THE UNINCORPORATED SANTA CLARITA VALLEY, AFFECTIVE
20 APRIL 1, 2019 FROM \$1.1846 TO \$1.2357 DOLLARS PER SQUARE FOOT.
21 THERE IS NO DEPARTMENTAL STATEMENT. AND NO WAS CORRESPONDENCE
22 RECEIVED. AND WE DO HAVE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO HAVE
23 REQUESTED TO ADDRESS THE BOARD.

24

25 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** PLEASE CALL THE THOSE SPEAKERS AT THIS TIME.

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1

2 **LORAYNE LINGAT, A.E.O.:** WOULD ERIC PREVEN AND HERMAN HERMAN
3 PLEASE COME FORWARD?

4

5 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** GO AHEAD, MR. PREVEN.

6

7 **ERIC PREVEN:** IT IS ERIC PREVEN FROM THE THIRD DISTRICT. AND
8 THIS PERTAINS TO THE THIRD AND FIFTH DISTRICT. AND IT'S
9 REGARDING THE CONSOLIDATED FIRE PROTECTION, THE DEVELOPER FEE.
10 NOW, I GOT THAT THERE WAS A LITTLE INCREASE. IT WAS A LITTLE
11 CONFUSING. BUT I GUESS THE CUMULATIVE FINANCING COSTS HAVE
12 RESULTED IN A 4 PERCENT INCREASE IN THE FEE RATE IN ONE OF THE
13 AREAS ONLY, A LARGER AREA, I BELIEVE. I JUST WONDER, IT IS A 5
14 CENT INCREASE PER SQUARE FOOT OF NEW DEVELOPMENT. BUT IS THIS
15 GOING TO KICK IN BEFORE A HUGE DEVELOPMENT THAT IS GOING TO
16 MAKE A HUGE AMOUNT OF MONEY, OR IS THIS JUST A RUN-OF-THE-
17 MILL, JUST TRYING TO COVER THE COSTS? THIS IS OBVIOUSLY A
18 COMPLETELY APPROPRIATE. IT IS A LITTLE BIT HARD TO TELL. I
19 WOULD SAY, IN CONNECTION WITH THE PLAIN LANGUAGE INITIATIVE,
20 WE COULD TRY TO SPRUCE THIS ONE UP. BUT THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NO MORE SPEAKERS ON THIS ITEM?
23 THEN IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND
24 VOTE ON THIS ITEM. ITEM 3 IS NOW BEFORE US, MOVED BY
25 SUPERVISOR KUEHL, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER TO APPROVE

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1 THIS ITEM. IF THERE ARE NO OBJECTIONS TO A UNANIMOUS VOTE,
2 THAT WILL BE THE ORDER. ITEM NUMBER 4.

3

4 **LORAYNE LINGAT, A.E.O.:** MADAM CHAIR, ITEM 4 IS A HEARING ON
5 ORDINANCE FOR ADOPTION AMENDING COUNTY CODE TITLE 2,
6 ADMINISTRATION, TO REVISE THE FEE FOR THE PREPARATION OF
7 FINDINGS OF FACT RELATING TO CASES BEFORE THE ASSESSMENT
8 APPEALS BOARD FROM \$181 TO \$492 PER PARCEL ON CONTIGUOUS
9 PARCELS. THERE IS NO DEPARTMENTAL STATEMENT. AND
10 CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC HAVE
11 REQUESTED TO ADDRESS YOU ON THIS ITEM.

12

13 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY, WOULD YOU LIKE TO CALL THEM UP?

14

15 **LORAYNE LINGAT, A.E.O.:** THAT WOULD BE ERIC PREVEN AND HERMAN
16 HERMAN, PLEASE COME FORWARD.

17

18 **ERIC PREVEN:** THANK YOU, ERIC PREVEN FROM THE THIRD DISTRICT.
19 SO I'M NOT SURE WHAT WE ARE TRYING TO DO HERE. THERE ARE 33
20 CASES WHERE WE HAVE TO TRIGGER WHAT THEY CALL AN ASSESSMENT
21 APPEAL FACT-FINDING COST. IT USED TO BE \$181. NOW WE'RE
22 JACKING IT UP TO \$492 TO BE IN LINE WITH OTHER JURISDICTIONS,
23 I GUESS. BUT ARE WE TRYING TO DISINCENTIVE ORDINARY FOLKS?
24 MAYBE IT'S NOT ORDINARY FOLKS IF YOU HAVE CONTIGUOUS PARCELS
25 GOES THE IDEA. BUT I WAS JUST SURPRISED THAT IT WAS SO FEW. I

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1 GUESS, THERE WERE 33 REQUESTS FOR FINDINGS OF FACT PER YEAR.
2 SO IT IS A VERY SLOW OFFICE DOWN THERE. SO WE ARE JACKING UP
3 THE PRICE ON A FAIRLY SLOW WINDOW. BUT THAT MAKES ME WONDER,
4 IS THAT BECAUSE SOMETHING IS COMING? SO, WELL DONE. AND I
5 GUESS IF THE GOAL IS TO JACK UP THE PRICE BY DOUBLE, ALMOST
6 TRIPLE, WELL DONE.

7

8 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. PLEASE CALL UP ANOTHER SPEAKER.

9

10 **LORAYNE LINGAT, A.E.O.:** WOULD MR. RED CHIEF HUNT PLEASE COME
11 FORWARD.

12

13 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** HE IS PASSING, OKAY. IS THAT ALL THE
14 SPEAKERS FOR THIS ITEM?

15

16 **LORAYNE LINGAT, A.E.O.:** THAT WOULD BE IT.

17

18 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THEN IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO CLOSE THE
19 PUBLIC HEARING AND VOTE ON THIS ITEM. SO, ITEM 4 IS NOW BEFORE
20 US, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MARK
21 RIDLEY-THOMAS TO APPROVE THIS ITEM. IF THERE ARE NO OBJECTIONS
22 TO A UNANIMOUS VOTE, SEEING NONE, THAT WILL BE THE ORDER. ITEM
23 5.

24

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1 **LORAYNE LINGAT, A.E.O.:** ITEM 5 IS A HEARING ON AN ORDINANCE
2 FOR ADOPTION AMENDING COUNTY CODE TITLE 8, CONSUMER
3 PROTECTIONS BUSINESS AND WAGE REGULATIONS RELATING TO THE
4 REGISTRATION OF FOOD OPERATIONS AND ISSUANCE OF PUBLIC HEALTH
5 PERMITS. THERE IS NO DEPARTMENTAL STATEMENT, AND NO
6 CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED. WE DO HAVE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
7 WHO HAVE REQUESTED TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM.

8

9 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** PLEASE CALL THEM UP AT THIS TIME.

10

11 **LORAYNE LINGAT, A.E.O.:** THAT WOULD BE FRANK TAMBORELLO, ERIC
12 PREVEN, HERMAN HERMAN, AND ANTONIO RAMIREZ. PLEASE COME
13 FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU.

14

15 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** MR. PREVEN. OKAY. HELLO, GOOD AFTERNOON. GO
16 AHEAD.

17

18 **FRANK TAMBORELLO:** GOOD AFTERNOON, I'M FRANK TAMBORELLO WITH
19 HUNGER ACTION L.A. AND WHAT THIS RELATES TO IS A STATE LAW
20 THAT JUST GOT PASSED LAST YEAR, ASSEMBLY BILL 2128, WHICH IS
21 IN SERIOUS NEED OF AMENDMENT BECAUSE, AS IT IS NOW, IT COULD
22 CRIMINALIZE PEOPLE WHO ARE FEEDING THE HOMELESS IN PUBLIC.
23 I'VE SENT A LETTERS TO ALL THE BOARD DEPUTIES ABOUT THIS,
24 INCLUDING THE NATIONAL COALITION FOR THE HOMELESS 2014 REPORT
25 ON HOW ORDINANCES LIKE THIS HAVE LED TO CRIMINALIZING THE

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1 HOMELESS AND PEOPLE FEEDING THEM IN 75 CITIES. NOW, I DID GO
2 TO THE ORIENTATION BY L.A. COUNTY ABOUT HOW THEY PLAN ON
3 IMPLEMENTING THIS. AND THIS BILL WOULD REQUIRE OR ALLOW
4 COUNTIES TO CHARGE FEES FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE DOING THAT KIND OF
5 FEEDING. AND FORTUNATELY, L.A. COUNTY IS NOT CHARGING THOSE
6 FEES. BUT IT IS NOT SIMPLY AN ISSUE OF WHETHER FEES ARE BEING
7 CHARGED OR NOT. GROUPS THAT ARE NOT TECHNICALLY NON-PROFITS,
8 SUCH AS GROUPS OF VOLUNTEERS COMING FROM A CHURCH WHO WANT TO
9 FEED THE HOMELESS, THEY FALL COMPLETELY OUTSIDE THE PURVIEW OF
10 THIS LAW. THEREFORE, THEY COULD STILL BE CRIMINALIZED. THEY
11 COULD STILL BE ARRESTED FOR FEEDING THE HOMELESS. AND AT A
12 TIME WHEN HOMELESSNESS IS AT AN ALL-TIME HIGH, WHEN THE
13 GOVERNMENT SHUTDOWN IS GOING TO LEAD TO SOME PRESSURE ON
14 PUBLIC BENEFITS BEING AVAILABLE, WHEN WE ARE LOOKING FOR ALL
15 THE RESOURCES THAT WE CAN, AND IN A COUNTY THAT IS PRONE TO
16 FIRES AND EARTHQUAKES, WE DO NOT NEED TO BE DISCOURAGING AND
17 CRIMINALIZING VOLUNTEERISM. AND IT MAY BE GOOD IF L.A. COUNTY
18 HANDLES THIS THE RIGHT WAY, BUT THERE ARE 57 OTHER COUNTIES IN
19 THIS STATE. AND ALREADY, ALREADY, WE HAVE SEEN A GROUP IN SAN
20 DIEGO THAT HAD TO SHUT DOWN BECAUSE THEY COULD NOT AFFORD THE
21 FEE THAT SAN DIEGO COUNTY IS REQUIRING. OUR ORGANIZATION IS
22 GOING TO BE WORKING TO CLEAN UP LEGISLATION. WE TRIED WORKING
23 WITH MS. LAMONE, AN ASSEMBLY MEMBER, BEFORE SHE PASSED THIS. I
24 DON'T KNOW WHAT THE THINKING WAS BEHIND THIS LAW EXCEPT TO
25 GIVE CITIES AND COUNTIES A TOOL TO SHUT DOWN GROUPS THAT THEY

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1 DON'T LIKE THAT ARE FEEDING THE HOMELESS. WE ARE GOING TO
2 CLEAN UP THAT LEGISLATION. I JUST WANTED TO MAKE YOU AWARE OF
3 IT. AND I WOULD LOVE TO WORK WITH YOU ALL TO DO THAT.

4

5 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

6

7 **ERIC PREVEN:** YEAH, SO THE ENACTMENT OF THIS ORDINANCE WILL
8 ALLOW THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH
9 DIVISION, THAT'S THE GROUP WHO'S GOING TO BE INVOLVED, TO
10 IMPLEMENT A NEW REGISTRATION PROGRAM FOR LIMITED SERVICE
11 CHARITABLE FEEDING OPERATIONS. SO, I GUESS THAT'S WHAT HE
12 MEANS THAT THEY ARE GOING TO HAVE TO REGISTER. AND IF THEY
13 DON'T REGISTER, THEY ARE SUBJECT TO ENFORCEMENT BY THE
14 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH. THAT IS PROBLEMATIC IF, IN FACT,
15 THEY ARE NOT PERMITTED TO GET THE LICENSES OR WHATEVER THEY
16 NEED ALMOST AUTOMATICALLY BECAUSE WE HAVE A CRISIS,
17 #NATIONALCRISIS. THANK YOU.

18

19 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

20

21 **ANTONIA RAMIREZ:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. FIRST OF ALL, I WANT TO
22 THANK MISS DEBBIE AND KATHY FOR DOING A GREAT JOB OF
23 SCHEDULING THE TIMING FOR THE SPEAKERS, ABSOLUTELY BEAUTIFUL.
24 AND THANK YOU MR. FRANK TAMBORELLO FOR GIVING US PERTINENT
25 AND IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR THOSE OF US WHO ARE HOMELESS,

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1 RIGHT HERE, NOT THAT I'M PROUD OF, BUT THANK YOU FOR THE
2 INFORMATION ABOUT THE PEOPLE BEING CRIMINALIZED IF THEY GIVE
3 YOU FOOD. AND I HOPE THEY CONTINUE TO GIVE US FOOD BECAUSE
4 MANY OF US HOMELESS WOMEN, WE DO END UP BEING ROBBED AND,
5 GUESS WHAT, WE HAVE NO MONEY IN OUR POCKETS. AND THEREFORE WE
6 KIND OF GET STRANDED. AND WE HAVE TO DEPEND ON THE FOOD THAT
7 PEOPLE DO GIVE US. SO, FIRST OF ALL, LET ME SAY, HERE, AS IT
8 IS STATED, COUNTY CODE, TITLE 8 CONSUMER PROTECTION AND
9 BUSINESS AND WAGE REGULATIONS AMENDMENT, IT IS A BIT
10 CONVOLUTED. I DIDN'T QUITE UNDERSTAND IT, HOW IT DEALS WITH
11 THE PUBLIC HEALTH. SO I STILL DON'T UNDERSTAND IT, BUT I WANT
12 TO THANK FRANK TAMBORELLO FOR ELABORATING ON IT. SO THANK YOU
13 VERY MUCH, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN.

14

15 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** WE HAVE ONE MORE SPEAKER TO BE CALLED.

16

17 **LORAYNE LINGAT, A.E.O.:** WOULD YVONNE AUTRY PLEASE COME
18 FORWARD.

19

20 **YVONNE AUTRY:** YES, I WOULD LIKE TO SUPPORT WHAT MY COLLEAGUE
21 ANTONIO AND FRANK HAVE SAID. FRANK IS ONE OF THE MOST
22 COMMITTED AND SUCH AN INCREDIBLE COMMUNITY ADVOCATE AND
23 ACTIVIST ON BEHALF OF THOSE WHO ARE ECONOMICALLY CHALLENGED.
24 I'VE WORKED WITH FRANK TAMBORELLO FOR ABOUT 10, 11, 12, 13
25 YEARS NOW. HE WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR ENABLING THOSE ON AID THAT

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1 ARE RECIPIENTS OF FOOD STAMPS, NOW E.B.T., TO USE THEIR
2 BENEFITS AT FARMER'S MARKETS. GENERAL JEFF, WHO'S
3 AFFECTIONATELY KNOWN AS THE MAYOR OF SKID ROW, ABOUT 5 OR 6
4 YEARS AGO HAD PROPOSED FEED AND CLEAN FOR THOSE WHO ARE LIVING
5 IN SKID ROW WHO ARE ECONOMICALLY CHALLENGED. AND THIS IS
6 ENGINEERED BECAUSE THE DEMOGRAPHIC IS PREDOMINANTLY BLACK,
7 AFRICAN-AMERICAN. IT'S EASY DISPOSAL, EXTERMINATION. IT'S YOUR
8 SOLUTION, OR THE SYSTEM'S SOLUTION, TO BLACK PEOPLE WHO, EVEN
9 WITH A.I.D.S. AND CRACK, ARE STILL ALIVE. I WOULD BE IN SKID
10 ROW IF IT WASN'T FOR GOD. I'M NOT GOING TO RECEIVE REPARATIONS
11 ON SKID ROW IN SAN PEDRO IN TENT OR BEING RAPED AND CLAIM THAT
12 IT WAS SUICIDE BY HOMICIDAL POLICE OFFICERS. SINCE THIS IS
13 ENGINEERED, THOSE PEOPLE, UNTIL THAT THEY CAN REMOVE
14 MICROCHIPS AND GET OFF OF PSYCH MEDS AND KNOW THAT THAT IS A
15 CIVIL ENGINEERING, UNTIL THEY CAN GET OFF OF SKID ROW,
16 ESPECIALLY THE REGENTRIFICATION OF THE ROW FOR THE VISION
17 2040, FOR PEOPLE THAT HAVE THE RESOURCES TO FEED THEM,
18 ESPECIALLY FRUIT AND VEGETABLES, THEY SHOULD BE ABLE TO DO SO.
19 AND I DO SUPPORT GENERAL JEFF EVEN THOUGH THAT WAS ABOUT SEVEN
20 OR EIGHT YEARS AGO AND HIS FEED AND CLEAN. THEY SHOULD NOT
21 HAVE TO PAY. THEIR HUMANITARIAN JUST AS THE BRING CLOTHING. AS
22 LONG AS THEY CLEAN UP SO THAT THEY ARE NOT CONTRIBUTING TO
23 THAT BLIGHT. THE POLICE OFFICERS DO NOT CLEAN UP THE HORSE
24 MANURE. DO THEY FINE THEM? AND THEY SHOULD CLEAN UP THE HORSE
25 MANURE.

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2 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. DO WE HAVE
3 OTHER SPEAKERS?

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5 **LORAYNE LINGAT, A.E.O.:** THAT IS ALL OF THE SPEAKERS.

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7 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THOSE ARE ALL OF THE SPEAKERS FOR THIS ITEM.
8 IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE NOW TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND
9 VOTE ON THIS ITEM. ITEM 5 IS BEFORE US, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
10 SOLIS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL TO APPROVE THIS ITEM. IF
11 THERE ARE NO OBJECTIONS TO A UNANIMOUS VOTE, SEEING NONE, THAT
12 WILL BE THE ORDER. NOW TO ITEM 8. THIS WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR
13 BARGER. SO SUPERVISOR BARGER, WOULD YOU LIKE TO MAKE SOME
14 OPENING REMARKS?

15

16 **SUP. BARGER:** YES, THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR. FIRST OF ALL, I WANT
17 TO THANK MY COLLEAGUES AND THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR CO-
18 AUTHORIZING THIS MOTION WITH ME. BUT I KNOW THAT THIS IS
19 SOMETHING THAT, UM, ALL OF US RECOGNIZE AS AN ISSUE. AND, UM,
20 MY GOAL IS TO BRING BACK MEANINGFUL REFORMS AND BUILD OUT
21 DESPERATELY NEEDED MENTAL HEALTH BEDS AND HEALTH SERVICES. I
22 DO HAVE AN AMENDMENT THAT I BELIEVE, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, YOU ARE
23 FINE WITH. AND I DO WANT TO THANK PETER WITH THE A.C.L.U. WHO
24 IS GOING TO BE SPEAKING FOR BRINGING THIS ISSUE FORWARD AS IT
25 RELATES TO THE AMENDMENT. BUT THE AMENDMENT I'M GOING TO BRING

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1 IN IS GOING -- WITH SUPERVISOR SOLIS, IS TO DIRECT THE
2 DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH, IN COORDINATION WITH THE HEALTH
3 AGENCY, THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES, AND THE C.E.O. TO
4 PROVIDE AN ASSESSMENT OF THE CURRENT AND FUTURE NEED FOR STEP-
5 DOWN MENTAL HEALTH BEDS AND SERVICES, A DRAFT PLAN FOR THE
6 CREATION OF BOTH DIRECTLY OPERATED AND CONTRACTED STEP DOWN
7 BEDS AND SERVICES AND INCLUDE THIS AS PART OF THE REPORT BACK
8 IN 120 DAYS. THIS ADDITION WILL ALLOW US TO LOOK AT THIS ISSUE
9 HOLISTICALLY SO WE CAN MOVE FORWARD IN A WELL-INFORMED MANNER.
10 AND AGAIN, I WANT TO THANK PETER WITH THE A.C.L.U. FOR
11 BRINGING THAT RECOMMENDATION FORWARD. FOR FAR TOO LONG, THE
12 NUMBER OF MENTAL HEALTH HOSPITAL BEDS HAS DWINDLED LEAVING A
13 SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF PATIENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES WITHOUT
14 ACCESS TO APPROPRIATE LEVEL OF CARE. PEOPLE IN NEED OF THE
15 RESOURCE ARE FORCED TO WAIT MONTHS, IN MANY CASES, OVER A YEAR
16 FOR A BED TO OPEN UP. THIS SHORTAGE IS DETRIMENTAL, NOT ONLY
17 TO THE CONDITION OF THE PATIENT, BUT ALSO HAS A NEGATIVE
18 IMPACT ON THEIR FAMILIES AND THE SOCIAL WORKERS THAT WORK
19 TIRELESSLY TO FIND A PLACEMENT FOR THEIR CLIENTS, WHICH IS SO
20 DESPERATELY NEEDED. WE MUST EXPLORE ALL OPTIONS TO PROVIDE
21 ADDITIONAL BEDS FOR THOSE THAT ARE NEED IN CARE. AND I LOOK
22 FORWARD FOR THE REPORT BACK. THE ADMINISTRATOR THAT IS NOW AT
23 HUNTINGTON HOSPITAL IS A TRAUMA CARE SURGEON, OR A TRAUMA
24 SURGEON, WHO CAME DOWN FROM PORTLAND, OREGON. AND SHE TALKED
25 ABOUT THE FACT THAT THERE WERE FOUR HOSPITALS UP IN PORTLAND

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1 THAT WERE LITERALLY HEMORRHAGING FINANCIALLY BECAUSE OF THE
2 FACT THAT THEY DIDN'T HAVE SUFFICIENT MENTAL HEALTH BEDS, BUT
3 THE NEED WAS SO GREAT. AND SHE BROUGHT THEM TOGETHER AND SAID,
4 I'M NOT GOING TO GUARANTEE THAT YOU ARE GOING TO GENERATE
5 REVENUE. WE CAN STOP THE HEMORRHAGING BY CREATING A STAND-
6 ALONE FACILITY IF WE ALL CONTRIBUTE MONEY TOWARD THAT END. AND
7 THEY OPENED A FREESTANDING MENTAL HEALTH HOSPITAL UP IN
8 PORTLAND. AND I'VE TALKED TO HER. AND SHE SAID IT IS NOT
9 WITHOUT ISSUES, BUT THE BOTTOM LINE IS IT PROVIDED A STABLE
10 LINE OF BEDS THAT ARE NOW AVAILABLE TO ADDRESS THE POPULATION
11 UP THERE. YOU KNOW, WHEN WE LOOK AT THE HISTORY ON THIS, AND I
12 KNOW YOU CAN TALK TO MANY PEOPLE, AND THERE'S DIFFERENT, YOU
13 KNOW, ANECDOTAL ISSUES AS IT RELATES TO WHY WE NO LONGER HAVE
14 THE BEDS. BUT THERE'S NO QUESTION THAT, UM, THE -- THE NUMBER
15 OF MENTAL HEALTH HOSPITAL BEDS FELL FROM 37,500 IN 1959 TO
16 22,000 PATIENTS IN 1967. TODAY, THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF
17 HOSPITALS OPERATES ONLY 5 FACILITIES. THE TOTAL NUMBER OF BEDS
18 AVAILABLE AT THESE FACILITIES IS 6,078. THE CURRENT WAIT TIME
19 FOR A PLACEMENT AT ONE OF THESE STATE HOSPITALS IS ESTIMATED
20 TO BE ONE YEAR OR MORE. THE NUMBER OF NON-STATE BEDS HAS
21 DECREASED DRAMATICALLY AS WELL. AND I KNOW DR. SHERIN'S GOING
22 TO TOUCH ON THE FACT OF JUST HOW DIFFICULT IT IS TO EVEN
23 PURCHASE BEDS. BUT I WILL LEAVE YOU WITH THIS. THEN I WOULD
24 LOVE TO HEAR FROM OUR SPEAKERS AS WELL. I TELL PEOPLE THAT,
25 WHEN WE TALK ABOUT MEASURE H DOLLARS, IF WE DO NOT ADDRESS THE

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1 HOMELESS MENTALLY ILL, IN 8 YEARS, PEOPLE ARE GOING TO FEEL
2 LIKE WE DID NOTHING. [APPLAUSE]. BECAUSE, WHEN I LOOK AT -- AT
3 LEAST, I WENT TO UNION STATION AND, IF YOU LOOK AT THE
4 INDIVIDUALS COMING IN, YOU WOULD NOT IDENTIFY THEM AS
5 HOMELESS. MANY OF THEM ARE INVISIBLE. MANY OF THEM DO NOT WANT
6 TO BE IDENTIFIED AS HOMELESS, ESPECIALLY THOSE WOMEN WITH
7 CHILDREN. THE PEOPLE THAT ARE ASSOCIATED AS BEING THE WHAT
8 PEOPLE WOULD CALL "PROBLEMATIC HOMELESS" ARE PEOPLE THAT NEED
9 SOME SORT OF MENTAL HEALTH SERVICE OR EVEN STEP-DOWN BEDS.
10 CALL IT WHAT YOU WANT. WE NEED TO DO A BETTER JOB AS IT
11 RELATES TO THAT, AND THAT'S ALWAYS BEEN MY FOCUS AS IT RELATES
12 TO THE HOMELESS POPULATION. SO, WITH THAT, DR. SHERIN, OR, I'M
13 SORRY -- MY CO-AUTHOR --

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15 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** WE HAVE A FEW OF YOUR COLLEAGUES WANT TO SAY
16 SOMETHING.

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18 **SUP. BARGER:** BUT I AGAIN WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS. I
19 KNOW THIS HAS BEEN SOMETHING THAT YOU'VE TALKED ABOUT,
20 ESPECIALLY IN THE EAST SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, WHERE WE'VE BEEN
21 CONTRACTING FOR BEDS WITH CHARTER OAKS HOSPITAL. BUT I WANT TO
22 THANK YOU FOR CO-AUTHORING THIS MOTION WITH ME.

23

24 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

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1 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I ALSO WANT TO THANK
2 SUPERVISOR BARGER FOR ASKING ME TO CO-AUTHOR THIS. THIS ISN'T
3 AN EASY DECISION TO MAKE. THERE'S SO MANY ELEMENTS THAT GO
4 INTO THIS. BUT ONE THAT COMES TO MIND, FOR ME, IS WE CAN'T
5 CONTINUE TO USE OUR EMERGENCY TRAUMA UNITS AND EVEN OUR SMALL
6 BED SPACE THAT WE HAVE AT L.A.C.+U.S.C., THE SMALL NUMBER OF
7 BEDS THAT ARE PLACED THERE FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE
8 PSYCHIATRIC NEEDS. AND MANY OF THEM ARE COMING DIRECTLY TO US
9 FROM THE SHERIFF AND OUR P.D.S. THEY ARE TAKEN THERE BECAUSE
10 THEY DON'T KNOW WHERE ELSE TO SEND THEM BECAUSE THEY ARE A
11 HARM TO THEMSELVES OR A HARM TO SOCIETY. AND I KNOW THAT IS
12 VERY COSTLY FOR OUR COUNTY AND US. SO WE DO HAVE TO COME UP
13 WITH REMEDIES. WHERE WE WILL PLACE THEM WILL BE AN ISSUE THAT
14 WILL CHALLENGE US, I THINK. BUT I DO BELIEVE THAT THIS IS
15 LEADING US DOWN THE RIGHT PATH. IF WE COULD START TO LOOK AT
16 WHAT THOSE DEMOGRAPHICS LOOK LIKE, WHERE PEOPLE ARE COMING
17 FROM, HOW LONG THEY HAVE BEEN OUT ON THE STREETS, WHAT KIND OF
18 PARTICULAR CARE AND DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT THEY ARE GOING TO
19 NEED, I THINK THAT WE CAN BETTER SERVE ALL THE CONSTITUENTS IN
20 THE COUNTY. AND WE CAN HELP REMEDY THE PROBLEMS THAT, RIGHT
21 NOW, WE SEE FACED IN AREAS LIKE THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY AND
22 OTHER AREAS WHERE PEOPLE FEEL IT IS HOPELESS. WHAT SOLUTION DO
23 WE HAVE TO PUT FORWARD? WE HAVE TO START TO PUT IDEAS FORWARD.
24 AND I'M HAPPY THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH IS STEPPING
25 UP TO HELP US FIND THAT OUT AND TO MAKE SURE THAT WE DON'T USE

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1 OUR JAILS AS A MENTAL HEALTH FACILITY AND THAT WE DON'T USE
2 OUR WATERSHEDS, AND BRIDGES, AND STREETS, AS A WAY TO SOMEHOW
3 PROVIDE TREATMENT TO PEOPLE BECAUSE THAT'S THE ONLY THING WE
4 CAN COME UP WITH. WE HAVE TO DO BETTER, AND WE MUST DO BETTER.
5 SO I APPLAUD THE AUTHOR. AND I LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING OUR
6 SPEAKERS ON THIS ISSUE. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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8 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

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10 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I WANT TO THANK
11 SUPERVISORS BARGER AND SOLIS FOR BRINGING THIS MOTION. IT IS
12 SORT OF INTERESTING WHEN YOU GET ELECTED TO AN OFFICE AND YOU
13 THINK YOU KNOW A LOT ABOUT WHAT YOU ARE GOING TO DO WHEN YOU
14 ARE THERE, AND IT OFTEN TURNS OUT SOMEWHAT DIFFERENT. WHAT WE
15 DO EVERY DAY, REALLY, IS TO TRY TO PAY ATTENTION TO THE FACT
16 THAT OUR RESPONSIBILITY IS FOR THOSE WHO NEED THE MOST AND
17 HAVE THE LEAST. AND IT TAKES UP A LOT OF THINKING AND A LOT
18 PLANNING. AND IT HAS BEEN VERY DIFFICULT BECAUSE WE ARE
19 COMMITTED TO TRYING TO GET PEOPLE THE SERVICES THEY NEED, TO
20 GET THEM TO THEM WHEN THEY NEED IT AND WHERE THEY NEED IT,
21 AND, FRANKLY, IN THE MOST THERAPEUTIC AND LEAST PUNITIVE
22 ENVIRONMENT. SO WE KNOW, FROM EXPERIENCE, THAT THAT IS JUST
23 NOT MAGIC, THAT THE BEDS DON'T JUST APPEAR. AS A MATTER OF
24 FACT, THEY HAVE BEEN DISAPPEARING. AND SO, WE WANT TO TAKE A
25 MORE PROACTIVE APPROACH, WHICH IS EXACTLY WHAT THIS MOTION

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1 DOES, BECAUSE WE'VE SEEN SO MANY OF THE TREATMENT BEDS,
2 PRIVATE HOSPITAL, IN-PATIENT PSYCH BEDS, BEDS AT THE STEP-DOWN
3 FACILITIES, STATE PSYCHIATRIC HOSPITAL BEDS, ALL CLOSING IN
4 RECENT YEARS, AS YOU INDICATED, SUPERVISOR BARGER. SO I'M
5 REALLY LOOKING FORWARD TO GETTING THESE REPORTS BACK TO HELP
6 US FIGURE OUT HOW TO MAKE OUR FUTURE INVESTMENTS. AND ALSO I
7 THINK, IN THE LARGER ISSUE OF DIVERSION, WE TEND TO BE PUTTING
8 A LOT OF FAITH IN MENTAL HEALTH. DO WE NEED TO GUIDE OUR
9 TRANSITION AGE YOUTH? MENTAL HEALTH. DO WE NEED TO GUIDE OUR
10 FOSTER YOUTH? MENTAL HEALTH. DO WE NEED TO HELP THOSE WHO WE
11 DON'T WANT TO RECITIVATE? MENTAL HEALTH. AND IT IS NOT A
12 MISTAKE TO THINK SO BECAUSE, IN MANY WAYS, THIS HAS BEEN THE
13 MOST EFFECTIVE INVESTMENT. SO I SUPPORT THIS MOTION AND THE
14 AMENDMENT BECAUSE I THINK LOOKING AT THE STEP-DOWN BEDS IS
15 ALSO EXTREMELY IMPORTANT. AND THANK YOU BOTH VERY MUCH FOR
16 BRINGING IT.

17

18 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

19

20 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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22 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** AND TOO I WANTED TO ADD MY COMMENTS AND
23 THANK, OF COURSE BOTH OF YOU SUPERVISOR BARGER AND SOLIS FOR
24 BRINGING THIS FORWARD, AND I KNOW DR. SHERIN AND OUR WHOLE
25 DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH HAS BEEN WORKING TO REALLY GET A

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1 GOOD ASSESSMENT ABOUT WHAT OUR MENTAL HEALTH NEEDS ARE. AND
2 I'M GLAD THAT THIS MOTION INCLUDES THE SHERIFF WORKING WITH
3 OUR DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND OUR C.E.O., SO THAT WE
4 KNOW OUR TRUE NEEDS FOR OUR INCARCERATED POPULATION. AND I
5 THINK ALL OF US HAVE REALLY EXPRESSED THE NEED THAT WE DO NEED
6 TO DO BETTER. THIS IS A PROBLEM. AND YOU ARE RIGHT SUPERVISOR,
7 WELL, ONE OF YOU SAID IT, I THINK IT WAS SUPERVISOR BARGER,
8 ABOUT AT THE END OF OUR 10 YEARS OF MEASURE H, IF WE HAVE NOT
9 REALLY MADE A SIGNIFICANT INVESTMENT AND MOVED THE NEEDLE ON
10 OUR MENTAL HEALTH POPULATION, THEN YOU ARE RIGHT. THEY ARE
11 GOING TO FEEL LIKE WE HAVEN'T REALLY ADDRESSED A SERIOUS CAUSE
12 OF HOMELESSNESS. I'M GLAD THAT THIS MOTION INCLUDES OUR
13 CONTRACTED BEDS. THIS HAS BEEN A BIG AREA OF CONCERN FOR ME.
14 AND I KNOW THAT, DR. SHERIN, WE'RE MOVING TOWARDS PERFORMANCE-
15 BASED CONTRACTING. AND WHEN WE TRANSITION TO THAT, IT IS
16 PROBABLY GOING TO BE SOME OF OUR CONTRACTORS AREN'T PERFORMING
17 TO OUR STANDARDS. AND SO THAT MEANS, WHILE WE'RE IMPROVING OUR
18 QUALITY OF CARE, WE COULD POTENTIALLY EVEN LOSE BEDS IN THAT
19 MODEL. SO I KNOW THAT YOU'RE GOING TO CONSIDER THAT ON THIS
20 REPORT BACK, AND YOU'RE GOING TO TALK ABOUT THAT. AND WE'RE
21 GOING TO HAVE YOU SAY A FEW WORDS. AND MAYBE, IN YOUR REMARKS,
22 YOU COULD TOUCH ON THE PERFORMANCE-BASED CONTRACT, WHEN THAT
23 IS GOING TO BE ROLLED OUT, WHAT EXACTLY ARE WE JUDGING OUR
24 CONTRACTORS ON IN TERMS OF PERFORMANCE. AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO

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1 THAT A LOT. SO I DON'T SEE ANY MORE OF MY COLLEAGUES ON THE
2 QUEUE. DR. SHERIN, WOULD YOU LIKE TO MAKE SOME COMMENTS?

3

4 **DR. SHERIN:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS, AND THANK YOU VERY MUCH
5 FOR THIS MOTION. I'D LIKE TO JUST START BY SAYING, NO MATTER
6 WHAT WE DO, WE HAVE TO MAKE SURE THAT OUR COMMUNITY-BASED
7 PROGRAMS, OUR HOUSING, OUR BOARD AND CARE INVENTORY, ARE
8 ADEQUATE SO THAT, WHEN WE CONNECT PEOPLE, THEY HAVE A PLACE TO
9 BE AND A PLACE TO GET SUPPORT IN AN ONGOING WAY TO MITIGATE
10 THE NEED FOR REPEAT HOSPITALIZATIONS, REPEAT EPISODES OF
11 HOMELESSNESS AND INCARCERATION. THE NEED TO RIGHT-SIZE OUR
12 HOSPITAL NETWORK IS PARAMOUNT. I DON'T THINK THERE IS ANYTHING
13 HIGHER ON MY RADAR AS A PROBLEM, CURRENTLY, AND AS A PART OF
14 THE SOLUTION, AS AN OPPORTUNITY. WE ACTUALLY HAVE A
15 SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF WHAT WE WOULD CALL ACUTE BEDS, WHICH ARE
16 BEDS FOR CRISIS IN SHORT PERIODS OF TIME. BUT WE HAVE NOWHERE
17 NEAR THE NUMBER OF SUB-ACUTE AND/OR STEP-DOWN TYPES OF BEDS.
18 THAT'S WHAT I THINK I'M SEEING. IT IS WHAT I'M HEARING FROM
19 THE COMMUNITIES. IT IS WHAT I'M HEARING FROM ADVOCATES. IT'S
20 WHAT I'M HEARING FROM HOSPITALS. AND IT'S WHAT WE'RE SEEING IN
21 PRELIMINARY DATA THAT'S COMING BACK FROM A REPORT BEING DONE
22 BY MERCER. WE HAVE INADEQUATE HOSPITAL BEDS FOR KIDS AND FOR
23 TEENS. THESE ARE ALL ISSUES THAT REALLY, REALLY NEED OUR
24 ATTENTION AND THAT WE HAVE TO INVEST IN BIG TIME. BUT IN
25 ADDITION TO RECOGNIZING THAT WE NEED MORE INVENTORY, AND THAT

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1 THE INVENTORY NEEDS TO BE MATCHED TO THE DEMANDS OF OUR
2 COMMUNITIES, WE ALSO NEED TO LOOK AT THE CONTRACTS. AND, AS IT
3 EXISTS, REALLY THERE IS VERY LITTLE INCENTIVE FOR THE HOSPITAL
4 SYSTEM TO PROVIDE THE LEVEL OF CARE THAT WE WOULD LIKE TO SEE.
5 AND THAT ACTUALLY IS ON US AS STEWARDS. WE NEED TO PROVIDE THE
6 RESOURCES THAT HOSPITALS REQUIRE TO DELIVER GREAT CARE. AND WE
7 NEED TO BE ABLE TO HAVE THEM BE ACCOUNTABLE. WE NEED TO HAVE
8 AN INFLUENCE OVER THE TYPE OF CARE, THE ADMISSIONS, THE
9 DISCHARGES, THE DISCHARGE PLANNING, AND THE CONNECTION TO THE
10 OUT PATIENT SECTOR. AMONG THE DIFFERENT SUBSETS OF HOSPITALS,
11 THE CROWN JEWEL IN ALL OF THIS IS THE D.H.S. HOSPITALS. AND
12 HOW CAN WE OPTIMIZE OUR RELATIONSHIP, AS TWO DEPARTMENTS IN
13 THE COUNTY, TO BE THE MOST EFFECTIVE? AND THAT'S SOMETHING
14 THAT DR. GALLEY AND I ARE WORKING ON VERY CLOSELY. I JUST LEFT
15 HER TO COME UP HERE TO TESTIFY ON THIS TOPIC. IN ADDITION, WE
16 NEED TO THINK ABOUT HOW THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH WORKS
17 WITH US AS AN AGENCY TO DEAL WITH CO-OCCURRING DISORDERS,
18 WHICH ARE A BIG CHALLENGE. AND THEY ARE A BIG CHALLENGE
19 PARTICULARLY WHEN WE LOOK AT OUR HOMELESS POPULATION AND WE
20 LOOK AT OUR POPULATION IN THE JAIL. AT THE END OF THE DAY, THE
21 REVIEW OF MENTAL HEALTH HOSPITAL BEDS IN L.A. IS LONG, LONG
22 OVERDUE. AND THIS MOTION WILL BE VERY HELPFUL IN DRIVING A
23 MENTAL HEALTH SYSTEM OF CARE TOWARDS ONE WHERE WE LOOK AT
24 SUPPLY SYSTEMATICALLY AND DEVELOP IT AND ACTIVELY MANAGE IT TO
25 MEET THE NEEDS OF OUR COMMUNITIES. WITH RESPECT TO YOUR

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1 QUESTION, SUPERVISOR HAHN, THERE ARE CLEAR AND CHANGING
2 MANDATES RECENTLY FROM THE STATE ABOUT THE RELATIONSHIP
3 BETWEEN THE COUNTIES AND THE HOSPITALS THAT IS A PART OF BEING
4 A MENTAL HEALTH PLAN, WHICH THE DEPARTMENT IS. AND WHAT THEY
5 REQUIRE, WHAT THEY REQUIRED HISTORICALLY IS WHAT IS CALLED
6 RETROSPECTIVE REVIEW OF THE CARE. THAT'S CHANGING TO A MODEL
7 OF CONCURRENT REVIEW. SO THE DEPARTMENT IS IN THE PROCESS NOW
8 OF BUILDING UP OUR UTILIZATION REVIEW TEAM SO THAT WE CAN MAKE
9 SURE THAT THE CARE THAT'S BEING DELIVERED IS COMMENSURATE WITH
10 THE NEED, AND THAT INDIVIDUALS CAN BE MOVED TO A LEVEL OF CARE
11 THAT'S APPROPRIATE. THAT WILL HELP US WITH THE FACT THAT WE
12 ARE OVER INVESTED IN WHAT I WOULD CALL ACUTE CARE, THAT WE
13 DON'T HAVE AN ADEQUATE INVENTORY OF SUB-ACUTE BEDS AND OTHER
14 TYPES OF STEP-DOWN BEDS. WE SEE THAT AS AN OPPORTUNITY. IT IS
15 ADDITIONAL PRESSURE ON THE DEPARTMENTS. AND MANY COUNTIES
16 ACROSS THE STATE ARE NOT THRILLED ABOUT THIS IDEA OF
17 CONCURRENT REVIEW. BUT IT IS THE RIGHT THING TO DO. IT'S THE
18 RIGHT THING FOR US TO HAVE A RADAR OF ALL THE PEOPLE IN THE
19 HOSPITAL BEDS, HOW THEY ARE DOING, AND MOVE THEM TO LOWER
20 LEVELS OF CARE TOWARDS COMMUNITY RE-INTEGRATION AS
21 AGGRESSIVELY AS POSSIBLE. IN ORDER TO DO THAT PROPERLY, WE
22 NEED AN ADEQUATE HOSPITAL BED RESOURCE. THANK YOU.

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24 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, DR. SHERIN. ANY QUESTIONS OF DR.
25 SHERIN FROM MY COLLEAGUES?

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2 **SUP. BARGER:** CAN I JUST FOLLOW UP ON ONE THING? WHEN YOU TALK
3 ABOUT THE STATE, HOW CAN WE PARTNER WITH THE STATE TO PROVIDE
4 MORE DIRECT DIRECTLY OPERATED MENTAL HEALTH BEDS?

5

6 **DR. SHERIN:** IT'S A GREAT QUESTION. PART OF IT IS LICENSING AND
7 THE NUMBER OF LICENSED BEDS. A PART OF IT ACTUALLY RELATES TO
8 O.S.H.P.D. AND THERE IS AN INTEREST NOW IN DEVELOPING NEW
9 LEVELS OF O.S.H.P.D. FOR IN-PATIENT PSYCH SO THAT IT'S NOT
10 NECESSARILY O.S.H.P.D. ONE, WHICH IS VERY, VERY EXPENSIVE. AND
11 THE OTHER THING IS, AS MANY OF YOU KNOW, AND MANY OF THE
12 ADVOCATES ARE AWARE, THERE IS AN OPPORTUNITY THAT THE STATE IS
13 PRESENTING FOR -- I'M SORRY, THAT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IS
14 PRESENTING TO THE STATES AROUND THE I.M.D. EXCLUSION AND THE
15 OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE A WAIVER WHICH WOULD ALLOW DEPARTMENTS
16 LIKE OURS TO DRAW DOWN FEDERAL FUNDING AND BE ABLE TO SUPPORT
17 ADDITIONAL BEDS OF THE TYPE THAT I'M DESCRIBING. I WOULD ALSO
18 LIKE TO THINK THAT, GIVEN THE STATE'S INTEREST AND DIRECTION
19 AROUND JUSTICE REFORM, THAT WE OUGHT TO BE HAVING A VERY
20 ROBUST DIALOGUE WITH THEM ABOUT THE FUNDING THAT'S REQUIRED,
21 PARTICULARLY IN COUNTIES LIKE THIS WITH THE URBAN POPULATION
22 AND THE DEMAND IN THE STREETS AND IN OUR JAILS.

23

24 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU.

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1 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, DR. SHERIN. AND WE HAVE MEMBERS
2 OF THE PUBLIC THAT WANT TO ADDRESS THIS. MADAM EXECUTIVE
3 OFFICER, COULD YOU PLEASE CALL THEM UP?

4

5 **LORAYNE LINGAT, A.E.O.:** WOULD THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE
6 COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU? WOULD PAUL STANSBURY,
7 JAIME GARCIA, DR. KEYONDRIA BUNCH, PETER ELIASBERG, AND THEN
8 FOLLOWED BY AVI ZIRLER, JOHN HALLOWITZ, FRANK KINGMANSU,
9 ANTONIA RAMIREZ, ALISON BIRNIE, PATRICIA SANCHEZ, INDIA
10 CALDWELL-COX, LAURI ROSS, CONNIE DINH, ROGER GIRION, PLEASE
11 COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU.

12

13 **SUP. BARGER:** MADAM CHAIR. SACHI, AS IT RELATES TO THAT 11/15
14 WAIVER, CAN YOU DO A REPORT BACK AS IT RELATES TO THAT
15 COMPONENT OF THIS? I THINK WE NEED TO LOOK AT THAT IN TERMS OF
16 THE REVENUE REIMBURSEMENT. I'M JUST NOT FAMILIAR WITH IT. BUT
17 IT'S THE 11/15 WAIVER THAT HE WAS REFERRING TO THAT THE STATE
18 COULDN'T GET -- I JUST WANT A BETTER UNDERSTANDING. IF THERE
19 IS REVENUE BEING BROUGHT IN, I THINK WE NEED TO TAKE A LOOK AT
20 THAT.

21

22 **C.E.O. HAMAI:** AND/OR ANY OTHER FUNDING SOURCES. OKAY.

23

24 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. OKAY, FIRST SPEAKER, PLEASE.
25 WELCOME.

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2 **PAUL STANSBURY:** GOOD MORNING. I'M PAUL STANSBURY. I'M THE
3 CURRENT CHAIR OF THE N.A.M.I. LOS ANGELES COUNTY COUNCIL.
4 HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, N.A.M.I. L.A. COUNTY COUNCIL
5 ADVOCATES FOR THE (INAUDIBLE) IN L.A. COUNTY. WE
6 WHOLEHEARTEDLY SUPPORT SUPERVISOR BARGER'S MOTION AND THE
7 SHORTAGE OF MENTAL HEALTH HOSPITAL BEDS IN THE COUNTY. THE
8 MOTION ADDRESSES THE DIRE STATISTICS AND HISTORY OF THE ISSUE,
9 THE ACUTE, SUB-ACUTE, AND I.M.D. SYSTEMS HAVE SUFFERED FROM
10 FISCAL STARVATION FOR DECADES. WAITLISTS FOR ADMISSIONS TO OUR
11 COUNTY'S I.M.D. LONG-TERM TREATMENT BEDS HAVE RISEN TO CRISIS
12 PROPORTION. IT IS NOT UNCOMMON FOR AN INDIVIDUAL WHO HAS BEEN
13 FOUND GRAVE DISABLED TO BE CONSERVED BY THE COURT TO WAIT FOR
14 ONE YEAR OR MORE. THE ISSUES GO ON AND ON. AND ALSO IN TERMS
15 OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE REFORM, WE BELIEVE THE LACK OF ACCESS TO
16 ACUTE BEDS AND TO SUB-ACUTE IS THE ROOT CAUSE OF
17 CRIMINALIZATION OF PEOPLE LIVING WITH A SERIOUS MENTAL
18 ILLNESS. FOR THESE REASONS, WE WHOLEHEARTEDLY SUPPORT THIS
19 MOTION. AND WE ALSO APPRECIATE THE STEP-DOWN BEDS. WE FEEL
20 THIS IS A VERY SERIOUS PROBLEM. WE APPRECIATE THE SUPPORT OF
21 ALL OF THE BOARDS OF SUPERVISORS ON THIS MOTION.

22

23 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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1 **KEYONDRA BUNCH:** MY NAME IS KEYONDRA BUNCH. I'M A LICENSED
2 PSYCHOLOGIST AT THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AT THE
3 ASSISTANT OUTPATIENT TREATMENT PROGRAM AND A MEMBER OF
4 S.E.I.U. 721. I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR BARGER AND SOLIS AND
5 THEIR STAFF FOR INTRODUCING THIS MOTION TO ADDRESS THE
6 SHORTAGE OF MENTAL HEALTH HOSPITAL BEDS. S.E.I.U. 721 HAS
7 MEMBERS SERVING D.M.H. CLIENTS IN EVERY PART OF THE MENTAL
8 HEALTH DELIVERY SYSTEM. AND WE UNDERSTAND THAT AN INDIVIDUAL'S
9 PROGRESS TO INDEPENDENCE AND PERSONAL RECOVERY OCCUR WHEN THEY
10 ARE CONNECTED TO THE MOST APPROPRIATE LEVEL OF CARE. THROUGH
11 THE ASSISTED OUT-PATIENT PROGRAM, I PROVIDE CRISIS ASSESSMENT
12 AND EVALUATION IN STREET AND HOMES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. I
13 WORK IN PSYCHIATRIC MOBILE RESPONSE, SPECIALIZED FOSTER CARE,
14 AND JUVENILE HALLS, AND WORK WITH SCHOOLS TO TRIAGE CRISIS. MY
15 CO-WORKERS AND I HAVE A COMMITMENT AND PASSION TO CARE FOR THE
16 MOST VULNERABLE AMONG US, THE LOW INCOME YOUTH, SENIORS, THE
17 DISABLED, AND HOMELESS. WE APPLAUD THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
18 FOR EFFORTS TO MOVE TOWARDS DEVELOPING CONNECTIONS TO SERVICES
19 AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE.

20

21 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

22

23 **JAIME GARCIA:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MADAM CHAIR, JAIME GARCIA WITH
24 THE HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION, SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, REPRESENTING
25 95 HOSPITALS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. SUPERVISOR BARGER, THANK

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1 YOU ON BEHALF OF OUR MEMBERES FOR INTRODUCING TODAY'S MOTION.
2 ACCESS AND LINKAGE TO MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES IS A CHALLENGE
3 OUR NON-L.P.S. FACILITIES ENCOUNTER ON A DAILY BASIS. OUR
4 L.P.S. FACILITIES ARE CHALLENGED WITH BED CAPACITY FOR ALL AGE
5 GROUPS, ADULTS, ADOLESCENTS, AND GERIATRIC, GIVEN THAT PATIENT
6 DEMAND FOR IN-PATIENT MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES OUTSTRIPS THE
7 CAPACITY IN A COUNTY OF 10 MILLION RESIDENTS. THIS
8 UNFORTUNATELY CREATES FRUSTRATION FOR THE PATIENTS AND THEIR
9 FAMILY MEMBERS WHO MAY FIND THEMSELVES WAITING FOR DAYS OR
10 WEEKS TO ACCESS A BED, DEPENDING ON THE LEVEL OF CARE THAT IS
11 REQUIRED. WAIT TIME TO TRANSFER A PATIENT TO AN I.M.D. OR
12 STEP-DOWN PENDING CONSERVATORSHIP HEARING CREATE ADDITIONAL
13 BOTTLENECKS IN OUR SYSTEM WHICH IS UNDERFUNDED. AS A RESULT
14 H.A.S.C. FULLY SUPPORTS EXPANDING THE AVAILABILITY OF PUBLIC
15 HEALTH BEDS IN ORDER TO APPROPRIATELY ADDRESS THE NEEDS OF OUR
16 COUNTY RESIDENTS. THERE ARE OTHER ISSUES THAT IMPACT OUR
17 MENTAL HEALTH SYSTEM WHICH I WOULD LIKE TO HIGHLIGHT. AND
18 HOPEFULLY THOSE ARE ADDRESSED IN THIS REPORT.

19

20 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME IS EXPIRED, BUT YOU CAN
21 HAND IN YOUR -- THE REST OF YOUR WRITTEN REPORT.

22

23 **PAUL STANSBURY:** WE NEED TO ADDRESS THE CURRENT MORATORIUM THAT
24 THE COUNTY HAS IN TERMS OF CREDENTIALING NEW MEDICAL
25 PSYCHIATRISTS, WHICH IS IMPACTING ACCESS.

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1

2 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WHY DON'T
3 YOU HAND IN THE REST OF YOUR TESTIMONY. AND WE WILL READ IT,
4 THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

5

6 **PETER ELIASBURG:** PETER ELIASBURG FROM A.C.L.U. SOUTHERN
7 CALIFORNIA. WE STRONGLY SUPPORT THIS MOTION, PARTICULARLY AS
8 AMENDED TO COVER THE ISSUE OF INCREASING STEP-DOWN BEDS AND
9 SERVICES. JUST A COUPLE OF SMALL CAUTIONS. OBVIOUSLY, MENTAL
10 HEALTH BEDS IN A HOSPITAL ARE ONLY APPROPRIATE FOR PEOPLE WHO
11 NEED THE HIGHEST LEVELS OF CARE. AND THE AMERICANS WITH
12 DISABILITIES ACT REQUIRES THAT PEOPLE BE SERVED IN THE LEAST
13 RESTRICTIVE SETTING. BUT SECOND, AND MORE IMPORTANTLY, I
14 FERVENTLY HOPE THIS MOTION IS A PART OF A COMPREHENSIVE
15 EFFORT, ALONG WITH THE AUGUST 2018 MOTION ON EXPANDING
16 DIVERSION SERVICES, TO IMPROVE THE AVAILABILITY OF COMMUNITY
17 MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES. I'M SICK AND TIRED OF THE SAD REALITY
18 THAT THE NUMBER ONE PROVIDER OF MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES IN LOS
19 ANGELES COUNTY IS THE JAIL, WHERE IT IS DONE POORLY. WE NEED
20 TO ENSURE THAT COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE.
21 WE NEED TO BUILD ON THE WORK THAT O.D.R. IS ALREADY DOING.
22 O.D.R. IS SHOWING THAT THEY CAN TAKE THE MOST ACUTE NEEDS
23 PEOPLE, PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN FOUND INCOMPETENT TO STAND TRIAL,
24 CHARGED WITH FELONIES, AND SERVE THEM IN THE COMMUNITY AND

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1 DIVERT THEM OUT OF THE JAILS. THAT'S WHAT THE COUNTY NEEDS TO
2 BE AIMING FOR.

3

4 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

5

6 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR BARGER. I REALLY APPRECIATE IT.
7 AND THANK YOU, EVERYONE BECAUSE THIS IS JUST A BABY STEP, A
8 BABY STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION. I'M NOT GOING TO REPEAT
9 EVERYTHING HERE REGARDING THE CHAOS IN MENTAL HEALTH IN
10 CALIFORNIA, MAYBE IN THE UNITED STATES, BUT ESPECIALLY IN
11 CALIFORNIA. I NO LONGER HAVE SKIN IN THE GAME. ON FEBRUARY 8,
12 TWO YEARS AGO, WE GOT A PHONE CALL FROM THE CORONER OFFICE.
13 THAT WAS MY SON. THEY FOUND HIS BODY IN DOWNTOWN L.A. HE WAS
14 DEEMED NOT DANGEROUS TO HIMSELF OR TO OTHERS. AND NOW HE IS
15 NOT DANGEROUS ANYMORE TO ANYONE. I JUST DON'T WANT OTHER
16 PARENTS TO BE IN THIS POSITION. THANK YOU SO MUCH, I
17 APPRECIATE IT. AND GOD BLESS YOU.

18

19 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, WE ARE SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS. NEXT
20 SPEAKER, PLEASE.

21

22 **JOHN HALLOWITZ:** JOHN HALLOWITZ, ADVOCACY CHAIR, N.A.M.I.
23 GLENDALE, MEMBER OF NATIONAL SHATTERING SCIENCE COALITION.
24 THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH FOR THE WORK THAT YOU ARE DOING ON
25 THIS. I WANT TO SHARE A FEW THINGS THAT ARE PERSONAL. ONE IS

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1 THE ACUTE CARE BEDS, WE MAY HAVE MORE OF THEM, BUT THE
2 BOTTLENECK IS THAT SO MANY PEOPLE WHO NEED MORE INTENSE THINGS
3 ARE TAKING THESE BEDS. RECENTLY, AN ADULT WHO WAS VOLUNTARILY
4 ADMITTING, FROM MY FAMILY, HAD TO SPEND OVER 24 HOURS IN AN
5 EMERGENCY ROOM. AND THAT IS NOT EVEN AS BAD AS IT GETS. THE
6 OTHER THING I WANTED TO ADDRESS IS ANOTHER FAMILY MEMBER WAS 8
7 YEARS OLD WHEN THEY WERE FIRST HOSPITALIZED. I HOPE THAT YOU
8 DISAGGREGATE THE JUVENILE BEDS AND THE GERIATRIC BEDS BECAUSE
9 THEY ARE NOT AVAILABLE TO EVERYONE. AND ALSO, WITHIN THAT, THE
10 BEDS FOR MINORS BETWEEN THOSE ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG CHILDREN
11 BECAUSE WE HAVE THE EXPERIENCE OF THEM BEING TOGETHER AND
12 OLDER ADOLESCENTS NOT ACTING APPROPRIATELY AROUND YOUNG
13 CHILDREN.

14

15 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

16

17 **DR. ROGER GIRIAN:** SUPERVISORS, HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, THANK
18 YOU FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK TO YOU AND FOR YOUR EFFORTS
19 IN THIS AREA. I'M DR. ROGER GIRIAN. I'M THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
20 OF MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR ANTELOPE VALLEY HOSPITAL.
21 ACCORDING TO THE CALIFORNIA STATISTICS, 22 OUT OF 100,000 BEDS
22 SHOULD BE ALLOCATED FOR MENTAL HEALTH. IN ANTELOPE VALLEY, WE
23 HAVE FIVE BEDS PER 100,000 RIGHT NOW. AND YET, WE SERVE -- WE
24 HAVE THE HIGHEST CALL FOR SERVICE IN THE ENTIRE L.A. COUNTY
25 RIGHT NOW. WE ARE DELUGED. AND WE ARE TRYING TO KEEP PACE WITH

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1 EVERYTHING. AND, IN THAT REGARD, WE HAVE BEEN QUITE INVENTIVE
2 IN TERMS KEEPING UP WITH THE DEMAND FOR RAPID STABILIZATION
3 OF PSYCHIATRIC PATIENTS, METH ABUSERS, AND SO ON. BUT THE
4 BOTTLENECK --

5

6 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** IT WENT BY FAST, I KNOW. THANK YOU VERY
7 MUCH. IF YOU HAVE, AND THAT IS FOR EVERYBODY, IF YOU CANNOT
8 GET IT ALL IN IN ONE MINUTE, PLEASE TURN IT IN. IF YOU HAVE A
9 WRITTEN TESTIMONY, WE'D BE HAPPY TO READ IT. THANK YOU VERY
10 MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER. AND MAKE SURE THAT YOU STATE YOUR NAME
11 BEFORE YOU START YOUR TESTIMONY.

12

13 **LAURI ROSS:** MY NAME IS LAURI ROSS. I HAVE BEEN WITH ANTELOPE
14 VALLEY HOSPITAL IN LANCASTER FOR 35 YEARS. AND I CAN TELL YOU
15 WE HAVE BEEN IN CRISIS FOR LONG TERM BEDS FOR THE 35 YEARS
16 THAT I HAVE BEEN DOING THIS. AND SO I'M HERE TODAY TO ADVOCATE
17 FOR THIS STUDY TO GET THE RESOURCES AND MONEY FOR THE LONG
18 TERM BEDS. WE HAVE A 12-BED UNIT. WE HAVE MANY PEOPLE WHO ARE
19 CHRONICALLY MENTALLY ILL WHO NEED THOSE STEP-DOWN AND I.M.D.
20 BEDS. AND THEY WAIT FOR NINE MONTHS IN A LITTLE HALLWAY OF 12
21 BEDS TO GET INTO THESE FACILITIES. AND THEN THESE FACILITIES
22 ARE ONLY REHABS. THERE ARE SOME WHO NEED TO STAY IN A HOSPITAL
23 WHERE THEY CAN HAVE SAFETY, THEY CAN HAVE SECURITY, THEY CAN
24 HAVE THE SUPPORT, THEY CAN HAVE THEIR MEDICATIONS. AND SO WE
25 NEED SERVICES WHERE THESE PEOPLE CAN STAY. WE HAVE A PATIENT

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1 WHO COMES TO US WHO BELIEVES HE OWNS WALMART. AND HE KEEPS
2 GETTING ARRESTED BECAUSE HE TAKES THINGS FROM WALMART. AND HE
3 NEEDS TO BE ABLE TO BE IN ONE OF THOSE BEDS.

4

5 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

6

7 **ANTONIA RAMIREZ:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. LADIES AND GENLEMEN,
8 FIRST OF ALL, THE A.C.L.U., DO NOT FUND THEM. THEY PRETEND TO
9 BE ADVOCATES. AND THEY PRETEND TO HELP THE HOMELESS. WHAT THEY
10 DID IS THEY ARE DECEITFUL, MALICIOUS, WICKED AND EVIL. THEY
11 THE ONES THAT PERPETRATED THESE WHOLE HOMELESS FIASCO IN THE
12 FIRST PLACE. STOP FUNDING THEM. AND SECOND OF ALL, THE
13 MENTALLY ILL PEOPLE THAT ARE HOMELESS, MOST OF THEM ARE NOT
14 MENTALLY ILL. THEY ARE JUST OUTRIGHT CRIMINALS. THEY ARE GANG
15 BANGERS, OPIATE USERS, DRUG USERS, PEDOPHILES, PIMPS, VIOLENT
16 OFFENDERS, FILTHY PIGS, AND THIEVES. THEY DESERVE TO BE IN
17 JAIL. FRY THEIR ASSES. AND SECOND OF ALL, PEOPLE LIKE ME WHO
18 ARE ON THE STREETS, HOMELESS, I'M A VICTIM OF GANG STALKING.
19 I'M NOT LOONY, THANK GOD. I DON'T DRINK. I DON'T SMOKE. I
20 DON'T NOT A GANG BANG. I'M NOT A [EXPLETIVE]. I'M NOT A GANG
21 BANGER. AND, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, I TAKE JALAPENO EVERY DAY
22 SO I KNOW I'M NOT MENTAL. I'M JUST A HARD ASS MEXICAN-
23 AMERICAN. AND I AM PROUD OF THAT. SO, I FIGHT FOR THOSE GOOD
24 VICTIMS OF CRIME. STOP THE GANG STALKING AND GET US OFF THE
25 STREETS. GOD BLESS AMERICA AND DONALD TRUMP.

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2 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** AND BEFORE THE NEXT SPEAKER, WOULD YOU LIKE
3 TO CALL UP SOME OTHER SPEAKERS?

4

5 **LORAYNE LINGAT, A.E.O.:** YES, MADAM CHAIR. WOULD THE FOLLOWING
6 INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME FORWARD. DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVRUEL,
7 CONNIE DINH, CHRISTINA RACKOHN, GEORGE BUZZETTI, PATRICIA
8 RUSSEL, ERIC PREVEN, LEX A. STEPPLING, PRECIOUS YOUNG, T.
9 CARTER, STEVE JENINGS, ELLIE STABECK, ISAAC BRYAN, ROCHELLE
10 SILSBEE, RED CHIEF HUNT, IVETTE ALE, EUNISSES HERNANDEZ, RUTH
11 DOXSEE, HERMAN HERMAN, BARBARA KNIGHTON, REV. DR. MELLO
12 DESIRE, JOHN C., VICTOR TRUJILLO, NORA PHILLIPS, REEGIE BUNCH,
13 JAMES NELSON, PLEASE COME FORWARD.

14

15 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

16

17 **FRANK KINGMANSU:** MY NAME IS FRANK KINGMONSU. I'M SOCIAL
18 SERVICES DIRECTOR AT MISSION COMMUNITY HOSPITAL. I DON'T HAVE
19 ANYTHING PREPARED, BUT I DEFINITELY WANT TO BE A PART OF THIS
20 SO THAT OUR HOSPITAL, BECAUSE WE WANT TO SHOW OUR FAVOR FOR
21 THIS ITEM.

22

23 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** CAN YOU GET JUST A LITTLE BIT CLOSE TO THE
24 MIC?

25

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1 **FRANK KINGMANSU:** CAN YOU HEAR ME?

2

3 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** MUCH BETTER.

4

5 **FRANK KINGMANSU:** SO YEAH, I DEFINITELY WANTED TO MAKE SURE
6 THAT OUR SUPPORT FOR THE ITEM WAS DEFINITELY HEARD. WE ARE A
7 60 BED PSYCH UNIT IN THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY. SO, WE'RE AT THE
8 HEART AND THE MECCA OF ALL OF THIS. AND SO, WE WANT TO REALLY
9 JUST NOT JUST SHOW OUR SUPPORT, BUT WE WOULD LOVE TO BE TO BE
10 A PART OF THE CONVERSATION AND A PART OF THE SOLUTION. ONE OF
11 THE THINGS THAT WE HAVE BEEN AWARE AND WE'VE BEEN FIGHTING
12 ABOUT IS THAT YES, WE DO NEED A LOT MORE BEDS, BUT WE ALSO
13 NEED THE RIGHT SUPPORT FOR THE SERVICES ONCE THE PATIENTS ARE
14 IN THAT BED. AS OF LIKE 2014/2015, FOR WHATEVER REASON, A LOT
15 OF THE SUPPORT THAT WE HAVE TOWARDS OUR PATIENTS HAVE BEEN
16 TAKEN AWAY, SPECIFICALLY WHEN IT COMES TO LOWER LEVELS OF
17 CARE, WHEN IT COMES TO THE LICENSED FACILITIES THAT 85 PERCENT
18 OF OUR PATIENTS ACTUALLY END UP IN. SO THE STEP-DOWNS ARE
19 DEFINITELY NEEDED. THE I.M.D.S ARE NEEDED, BUT THERE'S A LOT
20 MORE THAT'S A PART OF THIS CONVERSATION. I JUST WANTED TO MAKE
21 SURE THAT YOU GUYS WERE AWARE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

22

23 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. NEXT SPEAKER,
24 PLEASE.

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1 **DR. INDIA CALDWELL-COX:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS DR. INDIA
2 CALDWELL-COX. I'M THE NURSING DIRECTOR OF ST. FRANCIS MEDICAL
3 CENTER. AND SO, I'M FAIRLY NEW HERE. AND I TOO DIDN'T REALLY
4 COME TO SPEAK, BUT I DID WANT TO SHOW OUR SUPPORT FOR ST.
5 FRANCIS. WE ARE AT THE HEART OF A COMMUNITY. WE HAVE BEEN
6 THERE FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS. AND SINCE I'VE BEEN HERE, I'M NEW
7 TO THE L.A. AREA, WE SEEM TO HAVE A GREAT DEAL OF BOTTLENECK,
8 ESPECIALLY WITH, LIKE EVERYONE HAS SAID, I.M.D. PLACEMENTS,
9 THE CONSERVE PATIENTS, OUR SPECIAL POPULATIONS. WE HAVE
10 ADOLESCENTS AND GERIATRIC PATIENTS THAT ARE VERY HARD TO
11 PLACE. AND THEY KEEP RETURNING. THE OUTSIDE FACILITIES, THE
12 BOARDING CARES AND STEP-DOWNS, THEY ARE VERY MUCH NEEDED. AND
13 SO, I WANTED TO SHOW OUR SUPPORT. AND WE WANTED TO HAVE OUR
14 VOICE ALSO HEARD AND IN THE GAME.

15

16 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

17

18 **CONNIE DINH:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS CONNIE DINH. I AM WITH
19 EXODUS RECOVERY. WITHIN L.A. COUNTY, WE HAVE FOUR PSYCHIATRIC
20 URGENT CARE CENTERS THAT ARE TAKING PATIENTS THAT ARE
21 VOLUNTARY AND VOLUNTARY HOLDS HOLDS FROM PRETTY MUCH ALL
22 FACILITIES IN TERMS OF HOSPITAL EMERGENCY ROOMS, LAW
23 ENFORCEMENT, YOU KNOW, ALL THE COUNTY FIELD TEAMS. EVERY
24 SINGLE DAY, WE SEE ABOUT 120 TO 140 CLIENTS THAT ARE IN
25 PSYCHIATRIC CRISIS. AND WE HAVE THE ABILITY TO HAVE TO MANAGE,

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1 EVALUATE, AND -- WITHIN THE 23-HOUR TIME FRAME, TO STABILIZE
2 THESE CLIENTS. AND THERE'S ABOUT 10 TO 15 PERCENT OF THESE
3 CLIENTS THAT ARE TRULY NEEDING IN-PATIENT BEDS THAT WE ARE NOT
4 ABLE TO FIND IN-PATIENT HOSPITAL BEDS FOR. AND THE CLIENTS,
5 THE BEDS THAT WE FIND, THEY ARE VERY DIFFICULT TO FIND ON A
6 DAILY BASIS, IS THE CLIENTS THAT ARE NEEDING FORENSIC
7 POPULATIONS, DUAL DIAGNOSIS CLIENTS, CLIENTS NEEDING I.M.D.
8 BEDS --

9

10 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

11

12 **CONNIE DINH:** AND ALSO MEDICAL CO-MORBID CLIENTS.

13

14 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. NEXT
15 SPEAKER, PLEASE.

16

17 **ALISON BIRNIE:** I'M ALISON BIRNIE. I'M THE CLINICAL DIRECTOR OF
18 HUNTINGTON HOSPITAL EMERGENCY ROOM AND OUR BEHAVIORAL HEALTH
19 SERVICES. SO, REALLY WANTED TO BE HERE. OBVIOUSLY, OUR C.E.O.
20 HAS HAD A CONVERSATION WITH MS. BARGER. WE ARE A VERY BUSY
21 EMERGENCY ROOM. WE ARE AN L.P.S. DESIGNATED FACILITY. SO WHAT
22 WE SEE IN THE E.D. IS WE CAN HAVE ANYWHERE UP TO 14 PEOPLE IN
23 OUR EMERGENCY ROOM THAT WE ARE HOLDING. AND WHAT THAT DOES IS
24 BACK-UP THE PROCESS WHERE WE DON'T HAVE BEDS TO SEND THESE
25 PATIENTS TO. WE ALSO HAVE SEEN AN INCREASE IN THE NUMBERS OF

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1 VIOLENT PATIENTS THAT ARE DROPPED OFF BY THE POLICE DEPARTMENT
2 THAT WE ARE HAVING TO MANAGE ON A UNIT THAT IS NOT
3 FORENSICALLY TRAINED. ALSO THE PEDIATRIC BEDS, WE HAVE HELD
4 PEDIATRIC PATIENTS IN THE EMERGENCY ROOM FOR UP TO A WEEK, AND
5 -- THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

6

7 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

8

9 **PATRICIA SANCHEZ:** I'M PATRICIA SANCHEZ. I'M THE MANAGER OF THE
10 HUNTINGTON HOSPITAL BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES. I'M HERE TO
11 SUPPORT MS. BARGER'S MISSION. I LOST MY TRAIN OF THOUGHT
12 THERE. AND I AM -- YES, IT IS A MISSION. AND I AM MANAGING THE
13 IN-PATIENT AND THE OUT-PATIENT BEHAVIORAL HEALTH-SERVICES FOR
14 HUNTINGTON HOSPITAL. WE HAVE SEEN AN INCREASE IN OUR LONG-TERM
15 PATIENTS WHO ARE WAITING FOR I.M.D. BEDS. AND THEY ON OUR
16 UNITS FOR NINE MONTHS TO A YEAR, WHICH IS TAKING AWAY BEDS
17 FROM OTHER PEOPLE THAT MAY NEED THOSE BEDS. SO THEN WE HAVE A
18 BACK-UP IN OUR EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT, WHICH WE ARE THEN HAVING
19 TO TRANSFER OUT TO OTHER COUNTIES, POSSIBLY, WHICH THEY ARE
20 ALSO IN CRISIS. AND SO, IT IS JUST KIND OF A BACKLASH AND A
21 BACK UP EFFECT OF ALL MENTAL HEALTH PATIENTS FROM OUR
22 DEPARTMENT. WE ARE ALSO SEEING AN INCREASE IN ADOLESCENTS AND
23 CHILDREN IN OUR E.R. WHO ARE WAITING THERE UP FOR UP TO A WEEK
24 FOR AN ADMISSION TO A HOSPITAL THAT CAN HANDLE THOSE SERVICES,

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1 AS WELL AS THE DEVELOPMENTALLY-DELAYED. AND WE ARE NOT

2 ADEQUATELY TRAINED ON HOW TO HANDLE THOSE PATIENTS.

3

4 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

5

6 **ERIC PREVEN:** THANK YOU, ERIC PREVEN FROM THE THIRD DISTRICT.

7 AND I THINK YOU ARE FOCUSING ON A VERY IMPORTANT AREA BECAUSE

8 THE ACUTE CARE IS VERY SHORT-TERM. AND THEN SOMEONE WITH A

9 SIGNIFICANT PSYCHIATRIC CONDITION RESULTS -- CAN BE ON THE

10 STREETS SOMETIMES. AND THINK THAT SOMETIMES WHEN WE ARE

11 TALKING ABOUT THAT POPULATION, WE'RE MAKING A LOT OF MENTAL

12 HEALTH ACTIVITY NOW, WHICH I THINK IS GOOD. AND IT IS ONLY A

13 SMALL PORTION OF THE HOMELESS POPULATION, BUT IT IS A PORTION.

14 AND MAYBE IT IS NOT SO SMALL. I DON'T KNOW. BUT I WANT TO MAKE

15 SURE THAT WE UNDERSTAND THAT ADDING THE BEDS IS A GREAT IDEA

16 BECAUSE, IF WE ARE SUPPOSED TO HAVE 50 FOR 100,000 AND WE ONLY

17 HAVE 17, THAT'S A SIGNIFICANT SHORTAGE. BUT PEOPLE IN MY

18 NEIGHBORHOOD WILL SAY, WELL WE BRING THIS PERSON TO SOME PLACE

19 AND THEY DON'T WANT TO STAY. SO I KNOW YOU ARE TALKING ABOUT

20 GRAVELY DISABLED AND RE-DEFINING, I JUST THINK THAT WE NEED A

21 COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH WHERE, I DON'T LIKE THE WORD

22 INSTITUTIONALIZATION, BUT I LIKE THE WORD VOLUNTARY PLACE

23 WHERE PEOPLE CAN GET TREATMENT IN THE COMMUNITY. I'M HOPING

24 WE CAN FIND THAT IN THIS.

25

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1 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER.

2

3 **CHRISTINA RAKOHN:** HI, MY NAME IS CHRISTINA RAKOHN. I'M A PROUD
4 MEMBER OF N.A.M.I. AND I'M HERE TO VOICE MY SUPPORT FOR THIS
5 MOTION. IN MY PERSONAL EXPERIENCE AND WHAT I HEAR ECHOED BY
6 COUNTLESS N.A.M.I. MEMBERS, THE NUMBER ONE ISSUE FACING THOSE
7 WHO ARE MENTALLY ILL AND THEIR FAMILIES IS HOW TO GET THEM
8 TREATMENTS. THIS LARGELY BOILS DOWN TO AVAILABILITY OF HOUSING
9 AND BEDS OF WHICH THERE IS A DIRE SHORTAGE WHICH CAUSES A
10 TREMENDOUS RIPPLE EFFECT. MY FAMILY AND I SUFFERED AT HOME FOR
11 MANY YEARS BECAUSE WE COULD NOT FIND A SUITABLE RESIDENCE FOR
12 MY BROTHER AND STRUGGLED WITH A REVOLVING DOOR OF HOSPITALS
13 THIS PAST SUMMER TRYING TO FIND A BED. HE WAS ALSO ONE OF THE
14 ONES NOT DEEMED SICK ENOUGH TO QUALIFY FOR CONSERVATORSHIP. I
15 PUT MY BROTHER'S NAME ON A WAITING LIST, BUT UNFORTUNATELY, BY
16 THE TIME HAD FINALLY GOTTEN THE CRUEL PHONE CALL LAST OCTOBER
17 SAYING THAT A BED WAS AVAILABLE, MY BROTHER HAD PASSED AWAY A
18 FEW WEEKS BEFORE AND RACKED UP NEARLY A MILLION DOLLARS IN
19 MEDICAL BILLS DUE TO HIS MENTAL ILLNESS. MORE BEDS IS NOT THE
20 ANSWER. MORE BEDS IS NOT THE END-ALL, BE-ALL SOLUTION TO A
21 VERY COMPLICATED ISSUE. BUT I'M CONFIDENT THAT IF MORE BEDS
22 WERE AVAILABLE, MY BROTHER WOULD HAVE BEEN ABLE TO ACCESS THE
23 HELP HE NEEDED SOONER WITHOUT CONTRIBUTING TO THE INFLUX OF
24 HOMELESS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

25

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1 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, WE ARE SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS. NEXT
2 SPEAKER, PLEASE.

3

4 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVRUEL:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
5 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVRUEL. I'M VERY GLAD TO SEE THIS MOTION. AND
6 I HOPE THAT YOU'RE GOING TO MOVE WITH DILIGENCE TO IMPLEMENT
7 IT. NOT TOO LONG AGO, I HAD THE MISFORTUNE TO KNOW SOMEBODY
8 WHO GOT PUT IN A 5150 AND PLACED AT GLENDALE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL
9 IN ONE OF THEIR PSYCH UNITS. AND IT IS PROBABLY THE WORST CARE
10 I HAVE SEEN IN A LONG TIME. PEOPLE IN JAIL HAVE MORE VISITING
11 TIME THAN PEOPLE AT THE GLENDALE MEMORIAL. NOT ANYMORE BECAUSE
12 I FILED A FORMAL COMPLAINT. BUT IT WAS APPALLING THE WAY THOSE
13 PEOPLE WERE TREATED. AND THEY DECIDE TO CUT THE VISIT IF THEY
14 DON'T HAVE ENOUGH STAFF AND SO ON. IT NEEDS TO BE REALLY
15 LOOKED AT. AND I THINK SOME INVESTIGATION NEEDS TO BE DONE,
16 THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

19

20 **ROCHELLE SILSBEE:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR AND SUPERVISORS FOR
21 THE OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THIS IMPORTANT ISSUE HERE TODAY. MY
22 NAME IS ROCHELLE SILSBEE. AND I'M THE STATEWIDE DIRECTOR OF
23 PUBLIC AFFAIRS FOR PROVIDENCE ST. JOSEPH HEALTH. I FEEL
24 BLESSED TO BE HERE TODAY REPRESENTING OVER 119,000
25 COMPASSIONATE CAREGIVERS WHO SERVE PATIENTS AND COMMUNITIES

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1 THROUGH A NATIONAL CATHOLIC, NOT-FOR-PROFIT HEALTH SYSTEM
2 COMPRISING A DIVERSE FAMILY OF ORGANIZATIONS AND DRIVEN BY A
3 BELIEF THAT HEALTHCARE IS A HUMAN RIGHT. WE ARE ROOTED IN THE
4 FOUND MISSIONS OF THE AMAZING SISTERS OF PROVIDENCE AND THE
5 SISTERS OF ST. JOSEPH OF ORANGE, COURAGEOUS WOMEN AHEAD OF
6 THEIR TIME, NOT UNLIKE OUR BOARD HERE TODAY WHO BROUGHT
7 HEALTHCARE AND OTHER SOCIAL SERVICES TO THE AMERICAN WEST
8 NEARLY A CENTURY AGO. INDEED OUR ORGANIZATION AND THIS BOARD
9 SHARE A SINGULAR COMMITMENT TO IMPROVE THE HEALTH FOR ALL. WE
10 ARE HERE TODAY TO SUPPORT THE MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BARGER TO
11 DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH TO DRAFT A PLAN FOR THE
12 CREATION OF MENTAL HEALTH HOSPITAL BEDS WITH POTENTIAL SITES,
13 FUNDING OPTIONS, ETC. WHILE IT IS CLEAR THERE ARE CHALLENGES,
14 WE MUST FACE THESE CHALLENGES HEAD ON. AND WE THANK THE BOARD
15 FOR THEIR LEADERSHIP.

16
17 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

18
19 **STEVE JENINGS:** I'M STEVE JENINGS. I WORK AT ARORA CHARTER OAK
20 HOSPITAL IN SUPERVISOR BARGER'S DISTRICT. THANK YOU,
21 SUPERVISOR. THANK YOU FOR THE BOARD FOR SUPPORTING THIS
22 MOTION, PUTTING FORWARD THIS MOTION. WE TOTALLY AGREE WITH
23 WHAT MOST OF THE FOLKS HAVE BEEN SAYING HERE. THE ANSWER IS
24 NOT TO PROVIDE MORE ACUTE CARE BEDS, THE MOST EXPENSIVE BEDS.
25 IT'S NOT THE BEST SOLUTION. BUT WE DO NEED MORE STEP-DOWN BEDS.

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1 WE DO NEED MORE COMMUNITY SERVICES. ONE EXAMPLE I CAN GIVE
2 YOU, WE ADDED 39 BEDS SIX YEARS AGO, PRETTY MUCH WE'RE FULL
3 NOW. HOWEVER, PART OF THE REASON WE'RE FULL IS THAT WE CANNOT
4 FIND STEP-DOWN BEDS FOR SOME OF THE CLIENTS THAT REALLY NEED
5 THAT. OTHER SERVICES THAT THAT WE OFFER THAT ARE NOT CURRENTLY
6 FUNDED BY THE COUNTY WOULD INCLUDE INTENSIVE OUT-PATIENT
7 PARTIAL HOSPITALIZATION PROGRAMS. IF FUNDING WAS MADE
8 AVAILABLE FOR THIS, WE DO BELIEVE WE COULD MAKE MORE OF A
9 SERIOUS DENT AND DECREASE THE NUMBER OF HOSPITALIZATIONS AND
10 LENGTH OF STAY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TIME.

11

12 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER.

13

14 **RUTH DOXSEE:** HI, MY NAME IS RUTH DOXSEE. SINCE I WAS DOWNTOWN
15 FOR THE U.T.L.A. VICTORY RALLY, I THOUGHT I WOULD COME IN. I'M
16 A MEMBER OF THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY NATIONAL ALLIANCE ON
17 MENTAL ILLNESS. I HAVE A FAMILY MEMBER WHO HAS MENTAL ILLNESS.
18 AND HE'S BEEN IN SEVERAL HOSPITALS. MOST OF THE HOSPITALS THAT
19 HAVE BEEN REPRESENTED HERE, HE'S BEEN IN. USUALLY IN AN
20 EMERGENCY ROOM FIRST. SO, I'M VERY SUPPORTIVE OF INCREASED
21 NUMBER OF BEDS, I'M ALSO ON THE LAKE BALBOA NEIGHBORHOOD
22 COUNCIL. I'M A BOARD MEMBER. AND THERE'S MUCH CONCERN IN OUR
23 COMMUNITY FOR THE HOMELESS, AND ESPECIALLY THE MENTALLY ILL
24 HOMELESS. SO, I JUST THANK YOU FOR THIS MOTION. AND PLEASE --
25 AND I SUPPORT IT. THANK YOU.

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2 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

3

4 **NORA PHILLIPS:** HELLO, MY NAME IS NORA PHILLIPS. I'M THE LEGAL
5 DIRECTOR OF AL OTRO LADO. WE'RE A FREE IMMIGRATION LEGAL
6 SERVICES ORGANIZATION HOUSED AT THE WELLNESS CENTER IN ON THE
7 GROUNDS OF L.A.C.+U.S.C. MEDICAL CENTER. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK
8 SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND BARGER FOR PUTTING THIS MOTION FORTH. I
9 THINK IT IS URGENTLY NEEDED. OUR ORGANIZATION, I CAN SPEAK
10 PARTICULARLY TO THE NEEDS OF THE HOMELESS IMMIGRANT POPULATION
11 IN LOS ANGELES. THIS IS A GROUP THAT IS AT EXTREMELY HIGHER
12 RISK OF ENCOUNTERING LAW ENFORCEMENT AND BEING PLACED INTO
13 I.C.E. DETENTION AND BEING DEPARTED. WE HAVE WORK IN TIJUANA
14 AS WELL AND HAVE SEEN PLENTY OF MENTALLY ILL ANGLEROS WHO WERE
15 DEPORTED. MANY OF THEM HAVE POSSIBLE CLAIMS TO CITIZENSHIP. IT
16 IS AN AREA THAT IS FRAUGHT WITH ABUSE AND DUE PROCESS ISSUES.
17 MANY PEOPLE ARE SUFFERING SO HORRIBLY FROM ACUTE PSYCHIATRIC
18 NEEDS AMONG OUR CLIENTS. AND THERE'S NOT NEARLY ENOUGH SPACE,
19 FROM A LEGAL PERSPECTIVE, I THINK THIS IS NECESSARY. AND FROM
20 A MORAL PERSPECTIVE, THIS IS CRYSTAL CLEAR. WAITING EQUALS
21 DEATH FOR A LOT OF THESE FOLKS.

22

23 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

24

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1 **SPEAKER:** HI, DISTINGUISHED MEMBERS OF THE MOST PROGRESSIVE
2 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN L.A. COUNTY'S HISTORY, IN MY OPINION.
3 AND THANK YOU SUPERVISOR BARGER AND SOLIS FOR BRINGING THIS
4 URGENT MOTION FORWARD. I'M A GRATEFUL MEMBER OF N.A.M.I., A
5 MEMBER OF JACKIE LACEY'S MENTAL HEALTH CRIMINAL JUSTICE
6 PROJECT, A MEMBER OF JUDGE BIANCO'S MISSED WORK GROUP ,AND CO-
7 CHAIR OF SERVICE AREA TWO, SUPERVISOR KUEHL'S DISTRICT. MY SON
8 SUFFERS FROM CO-OCCURRING DISORDERS. I CAN'T TELL YOU HOW MANY
9 TIMES HE HAS BEEN DISCHARGED FROM HOSPITALS WITH BUS TOKENS TO
10 NOWHERE WHERE HE ENDS UP GETTING MORE BEATEN UP ON THE STREET
11 WHEN HE'S IN A MANIC STATE OR PUT IN JAIL. HE'S HAS BEEN IN
12 TWIN TOWERS A NUMBER OF TIMES BECAUSE OF HIS UNTREATED MENTAL
13 HEALTH ISSUES. IT CAN'T BE ONLY 7 SECONDS. IT CAN'T BE.

14

15 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** NOW IT IS 5, 4 -- OKAY, PLEASE TURN IT IN.
16 WE REALLY WANT TO READ YOUR TESTIMONY. ABSOLUTELY, THANK YOU
17 VERY MUCH. THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

18

19 **ELLIE STABECK:** YES, MY NAME IS ELLIE STABECK. AS A CONSTITUENT
20 OF YOUR DISTRICT, SUPERVISOR BARGER, I'M VERY, VERY THANKFUL
21 FOR THIS MOTION AND THE AMENDEMNT. AS A MOTHER AND AN ADVOCATE
22 OF N.A.M.I., I LIVE IN THE INTERFACE BETWEEN THE SYSTEM AND
23 THE ILLNESS. I HAVE DONE THIS FOR SEVERAL YEARS. AND I SEE THE
24 BIGGER PICTURE. WHAT I BELIEVE IS THE ROOTS OF WHAT YOU WANT,
25 TO MULTIPLY BEDS WHICH ARE DESPERATELY NEEDED, AND I

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1 WHOLEHEARTEDLY SUPPORT, IS THE FACT THAT WE HAVE RECYCLING.
2 AND RECYCLING HAS NOT BEEN ADDRESSED. AND I THINK THE REASON
3 WHY WE HAVE HOMELESS AND INCARCERATED IS BECAUSE HOSPITALS
4 DISCHARGE PEOPLE, AFTER ONE TO THREE DAYS. I HAVE SEEN
5 HORRIFIC STORIES WHERE THEY ARE DISCHARGED WITH PRESCRIPTIONS
6 TO GET THEM FILLED. THEY TAKE 3/4 OF THE BOTTLE. AND THEY
7 ALMOST DIE. I HAVE SEEN PEOPLE THAT I HAVE TAKEN MYSELF. IT IS
8 A COMPLEX ISSUE, I HAVE TWO SECONDS LEFT. BUT I'M HEARTENED
9 BY WHAT I HAVE HEARD FROM YOU AND DR. SHERIN. THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

12

13 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, JOE MAIZLISH, AMERIGEN FAMILY
14 THERAPIST AND ON THE STEERING COMMITTEE OF L.A. REGIONAL RE-
15 ENTRY PARTNERSHIP. I'M SO GLAD TO SEE THIS. THANK YOU FOR
16 RECOGNIZING, SUPERVISOR BARGER, HOW INTERACTIVE THE PIECES OF
17 THE JAIL ISSUE WERE, AS YOU MENTIONED A COUPLE OF WEEKS AGO,
18 AND YOU AND SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR FORWARDING THIS. I KNOW IT IS
19 NO STRANGER TO THE INTERESTS OF THE OTHER BOARD MEMBERS, TOO.
20 I'VE GOT A STORY. A COUPLE OF WEEKS AGO AFTER THE JANUARY 8TH
21 MEETING, I ASKED A DEPUTY SHERIFF, HOW WOULD CAN YOU LIKE TO
22 HAVE MOST OF THE MENTAL HEALTH BURDEN TAKEN OFF BACK OF THE
23 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT? HE LOOKED UP TO THE CEILING, AND I
24 SUPPOSE FURTHER ON UP TO HEAVEN, AND SAID, I WISH, I WISH. SO
25 IS TRUE OF ALL OF YOUR DEPARTMENTS. THIS DEDICATION WILL HELP

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1 SAVE MANY BY THE WAY. IT RELIEVES FAMILIES OF SUFFERING TOO
2 AND COMMUNITIES. IT HELPS DE-ALIENATE THE BOARD AND THE
3 PUBLIC. AND MAKE IT EASIER FOR PEOPLE TO CALL FOR HELP WHEN
4 THEY KNOW THAT AN APPROPRIATE LEVEL OF SERVICE AND NOT JUST
5 THE IMPOSITION OF ONE SIZE DISFITS ALL.

6

7 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

8

9 **LEX STEPPLING:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, THANK YOU
10 FOR CONTUING TO MOVE THIS BOULDER FORWARD IN THE RIGHT
11 DIRECTION. IT IS HEARTEING TO SEE PEOPLE IN YOUR POSITION
12 DOING THE RIGHT THING. MY NAME IS LEX STEPPLING. I'M THE
13 DIRECTOR OF CAMPAIGNS AND POLICY AT DIGNIT AND POWER NOW. WHEN
14 WE TALK ABOUT BEDS, BEDS CAN MEAN A LOT OF DIFFERENT THINGS.
15 AND IT DOES NEED TO BE SCALED UP. AND THERE DOES NEED TO BE AN
16 INVESTMENT IN CARE. AND THAT CARE NEEDS TO NOT LOOK LIKE
17 INCARCERATION. IT NEEDS TO NOT LOOK LIKE JAILING. THE REALITY
18 THAT WAS STATED EARLIER, THAT L.A. COUNTY LEADS THE NATION AND
19 THE WORLD IN JAILING AND THAT THE LARGEST MENTAL HEALTH
20 FACILITY IS A JAIL IS SOMETHING THAT IS I THINK WE ARE ALL
21 VERY EXCITED TO UNDO AND UNDO SOON. THE ANSWER IS IN PLAIN
22 SIGHT. THE JUSTICE L.A. CAMPAIGN DELIVERED A REPORT TO THE
23 COUNTY A COUPLE OF WEEKS AGO WITH OUR RECOMMENDATIONS THAT
24 SCALING UP SERVICES, SYNTHESIZING RESOURCES AND CARE THROUGH
25 COMMUNITY-BASED NETWORKS, COMMUNITY-BASED PROVIDERS, SERVICE

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1 CLUSTERS THAT EXIST ALL OVER THE COUNTY IS THE ANSWER. AND WE
2 LOOK FORWARD TO HELPING FACILITATE CARE IN THAT DIRECTION.

3

4 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

5

6 **SPEAKER:** SUPERVISOR BARGER AND SOLIS, I ALSO WANT TO THANK YOU
7 FOR PUTTING THIS MOTION. A LOT OF FOLKS BEFORE ME REITERATED
8 THE FACT THAT WE'RE IN SUCH A CRITICAL MOMENT WHERE WE'RE
9 GOING TO DECIDE WHETHER -- WELL, YOU ARE GOING TO DECIDE
10 WHETHER YOU WANT TO BUILD A JAIL THAT WE WANT TO CALL A MENTAL
11 HEALTH JAIL, OR WHETHER YOU ARE GOING TO BUILD CLUSTERS OF
12 SERVICES WITHIN THE DIFFERENT DISTRICTS IN L.A. COUNTY. SO
13 THANK YOU FOR PUTTING THIS. IT'S IS URGENTLY NEEDED. SOMETHING
14 MISSING FROM THE CONVERSATION, THOUGH, IS O.D.R. O.D.R. HAS
15 ALREADY DIVERTED A SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF FOLKS THAT MY
16 COLLEAGUE WILL TALK ABOUT. BUT THEY ARE THE ONES DEALING WITH
17 THE FOLKS WHO HAVE THE MOST SERIOUS MENTAL HEALTH NEEDS THAT
18 HAVE COMMITTED FELONIES AND MISDEMEANORS. AND IF WE'RE GOING
19 TO MOVE FORWARD NOT BUILDING A MENTAL HEALTH JAIL, O.D.R.
20 NEEDS TO BE HERE AND A PART OF THE TABLE BECAUSE THEY ARE
21 ALREADY DOING THE LEG WORK. AND THEY ARE PRETTY SUCCESSFUL AT
22 IT. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME. AND THANK YOU FOR PUTTING THIS
23 MOTION FORWARD.

24

25 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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1

2 **IVETTE ALE:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MY NAME IS IVETTE ALE. I'M THE
3 STATEWIDE CO-COORDINATOR OF CALIFORNIANS UNITED FOR
4 RESPONSIBLE BUDGET AND HERE REPRESENTING THE JUSTICE L.A.
5 COALITION. I FIRST WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR BARGER AND
6 SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP ON THIS MOTION. THIS IS
7 AN URGENT MATTER, AS SEVERAL FOLKS HAVE MENTIONED. WE CANNOT
8 DIVORCE THE NEED FOR MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES FROM THE LOOMING
9 THREAT OF A MENTAL HEALTH JAIL WHICH COULD ACTUALLY EXACERBATE
10 THE PROBLEM HERE IN L.A. COUNTY. AND, AS MY COLLEAGUE LEX
11 STATED, THE ANSWER IS IN PLAIN SIGHT. THE OFFICE OF DIVERSION
12 AND RE-ENTRY HAS SUCCESSFULLY BEEN ABLE TO DIVERT OVER 2,000
13 PEOPLE IN ITS SHORT LIFESPAN. AND IF GIVEN THE APPROPRIATE
14 RESOURCE, IT CAN DIVERT HALF OF TWIN TOWER'S POPULATION.
15 THAT'S A LOT OF FOLKS THAT CAN BE TAKEN OUT OF THE JAIL SYSTEM
16 AND A LOT OF MONEY SAVED. BEING ABLE TO INVEST IN COMMUNITY-
17 BASED TREATMENT IS NOT ONLY ETHICALLY AND SOCIALLY
18 RESPONSIBLE, IT IS FISCALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE COUNTY. THE
19 COUNTY IS BEING INNOVATIVE IN ITS APPROACH WITH THIS MOTION,
20 AND WE COMMEND THEM FOR MOVING THIS FORWARD. THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

23

24 **BARBARA KNIGHTON:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS BARBARA KNIGHTON.
25 I'M HERE TO REPRESENT N.A.M.I. GLENDALE AND TO SUPPORT THE

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1 MOTION. N.A.M.I. GLENDALE HAS 100 ACTIVE MEMBERS WITH DEEP
2 CONCERNS ABOUT MENTAL HEALTH CARE OR THE LACK OF IT IN LOS
3 ANGELES COUNTY. I HAVE A PERSONAL EXPERIENCE WITH THE SHORTAGE
4 OF MENTAL HEALTH TREATMENT BEDS. I HAVE A CLOSE FAMILY MEMBER
5 WHO EXPERIENCED A MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS. HE WAITED IN AN ACUTE
6 CARE HOSPITAL FOR 5 MONTHS FOR A STEP-DOWN BED. FINALLY, HE
7 WAS PLACED IN A FACILITY IN SAN DIEGO COUNTY BECAUSE THERE WAS
8 NOTHING AVAILABLE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. SUBSEQUENTLY, HE
9 RECEIVED EXCELLENT COMPREHENSIVE CARE, WHICH WAS CRITICAL TO A
10 SUSTAINED RECOVERY. HE WAS DISCHARGED FROM CARE. HE IS DOING
11 WELL, AND HE CAN WORK AS A PEER FACILITATOR TO SUPPORT OTHERS.
12 MENTAL HEALTH TREATMENT WORKS. WHY DID WE HAVE TO GO TO SAN
13 DIEGO COUNTY TO FIND IT? WE NEED MORE OPTIONS IN LOS ANGELES
14 COUNTY, AND THIS RESOLUTION IS A GREAT WAY TO GET THERE. THANK
15 YOU TO SUPERVISOR BARGER. WE SUPPORT THIS MOTION.

16

17 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

18

19 **REEGIE BUNCH:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS REEGIE BUNCH. I WORK
20 WITH DIGNITY AND POWER NOW. WE'RE ALSO A MEMBER OF THE
21 COALITION JUSTICE L.A. I WANT TO PERSONALLY THANK SUPERVISORS
22 HILDA SOLIS AND KATHRYN BARGER FOR THEIR LEADERSHIP ON THIS
23 MOTION. AS YOU HAVE ALREADY HEARD, THE ROAD HAS BEEN VERY
24 STONY. THE ROAD HAS EXPERIENCED A LOT OF DEATHS. THIS MENTAL
25 HEALTH HOSPITAL SHOULD HAVE BEEN HERE A WHILE AGO, BUT WE ARE

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1 HERE TODAY CHARTERING A NEW PATH THAT WE DON'T HAVE TO JAIL
2 THOSE THAT NEED MENTAL HEALTH TREATMENT. THAT IS MONUMENTAL
3 AND THAT IS HISTORICAL. AND THAT IS THE APPROPRIATE ACTION FOR
4 WHEN YOU SEE SOMEONE THAT'S GOING THROUGH A MENTAL HEALTH
5 EPISODE. MY COLLEAGUE AND I WERE OUTSIDE THE WOMEN'S JAIL,
6 LYNWOOD JAIL, A COUPLE WEEKS AGO. AND THE JAIL JUST RELEASED
7 THIS MENTALLY ILL WOMAN. SHE WAS GOING THROUGH AN ECSTATIC
8 STATE THAT SHE HAD TO BE HOSPITALIZED. AND MY COLLEAGUE AND I
9 HAD TO CALL 911 BECAUSE THE L.A. SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT COULD
10 NOT FIND SERVICES TO TREAT THIS WOMAN. SO THEY JUST RELEASED
11 HERE PUT HER OUT THERE INTO THE COMMUNITY. THANK GOD THE
12 POLICE WERE THERE TO HELP HER AND ASSIST HER. SO HOPEFULLY
13 THIS WILL BE THAT CONTINUING STEP TO HELP THIS SITUATION.

14

15 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

16

17 **JAMES NELSON:** HELLO, MY NAME IS JAMES NELSON WITH DIGNITY AND
18 POWER NOW, JUSTICE L.A. AND I'M JUST HERE TO SPEAKING FOR
19 INDIVIDUALS THAT'S ON THE INSIDE BECAUSE, AS I SHARE OFTEN, I
20 WAS FORMERLY INCARCERATED. AND OVER THE 29 YEARS I SERVED IN
21 THERE, I HAVE SEEN GUYS IN THERE THAT DIDN'T HAVE NO MENTAL
22 ILLNESS, BUT THEY DEVELOPED MENTAL ILLNESS. AND THEN THAT'S
23 WHY WE SAY, TOO, THAT YOU CAN'T GET WELL IN A CELL. AND I KNOW
24 HERE IN L.A., THE MENTAL ILLNESS COMMUNITY IS EXPANDING AND
25 I THINK PART OF WHY IT'S EXPANDING IS BECAUSE OF THE

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1 INCARCERATION BECAUSE, HERE IN L.A., YOU GET INCARCERATED
2 BECAUSE YOU HAVE A MENTAL ILLNESS. WE ARE GOING DOWN THE RIGHT
3 ROAD NOW AS FAR AS IF WE REALLY WANT TO ADDRESS THE ISSUE AS
4 FAR AS HELPING THESE PEOPLE AS FAR AS GETTING THEM IN
5 TREATMENT AND GET THEM WITH THE RIGHT PEOPLE THAT CAN HELP
6 THEM IN THEIR SITUATION. THAT IS HAPPENING NOT BE CUSTODY.
7 THEY NEED TO BE AROUND DOCTORS. THEY NEED TO BE AROUND NURSES.
8 THEY NEED TO BE MEDICATED IN SOME CASES TO HELP THEM IN THEIR
9 SITUATION VERSUS BEING LET OUT ON THE STREET LIKE MY
10 COLLEAGUE, REEGIE, JUST STATED, WHAT THEY WITNESSED THIS
11 WEEKEND.

12

13 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. NEXT SPEAKER,
14 PLEASE.

15

16 **ISAAC BRYAN:** I'M ISAAC BRYAN WITH THE MILLION DOLLAR HOODS
17 PROJECT OUT OF U.C.L.A. I WANT TO THANK THE SUPERVISORS FOR
18 THIS MOTION AND OTHER WORKS TO REALLY THINK MORE
19 COMPREHENSIVELY ABOUT THE INTERSECTIONALITY OF THESE MANY
20 ISSUES THAT ARE PLAGUING OUR COUNTY. WE HAVE A HOMELESSNESS
21 CRISIS. WE HAVE A HOUSELESSNESS CRISIS. WE HAVE A MENTAL
22 HEALTH CRISIS. AND WE HAVE AN OVER INCARCERATION AND OVER
23 POLICING CRISIS. AND ALL OF THESE ARE INTERSECTED AT THE POINT
24 OF MENTAL HEALTH AND THE NEED FOR SERVICES. AND SO I'D LIKE TO
25 REMIND US THAT THE LARGEST MENTAL HEALTH PROVIDER IN THE

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1 COUNTY RIGHT NOW IS THE JAIL. AND WE HAVE CONVERSATIONS ABOUT
2 BUILDING NEW JAILS AND BUILDING NEW BEDS OR REPLACING BEDS.
3 AND THAT'S A CRITICAL CONVERSATION BECAUSE I KNOW PART OF
4 THAT CONVERSATION INCLUDES THE DIGNITY OF THOSE WHO ARE
5 INCARCERATED. THERE IS NO DIGNITY IN A CAGE. DIGNITY COMES
6 WITH SERVICES. DIGNITY COMES WITH REHABILITATION. AND THAT'S
7 WHAT THIS MOTION SEEKS TO EXPOUND UPON AND TO LOOK INTO. AND I
8 ENCOURAGE THAT AND OTHER WORK. AND I'M HAPPY TO BE A PART OF
9 THE PROCESS IF AT ALL YOU NEED ADDITIONAL RESEARCH.

10

11 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

12

13 **KENNETH BATISTE:** MY NAME IS KENNETH BATISTE. FIRST, I WANT TO
14 SAY THIS IS VERY FAVORABLE. THIS IS WHAT WE NEED. THIS IS A
15 STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION. I WILL BRING UP A LITTLE INCIDENT
16 THAT I WANT EVERYBODY TO REMEMBER. IN VENTURA COUNTY, A
17 GENTLEMEN DIED IN FRONT OF HIS WIFE AND HIS CHILDREN WHILE
18 THEY WAS EATING BECAUSE HE GOT KILLED BY A MENTAL HEALTH
19 HOMELESS PERSON. SO THESE DECISIONS THAT YOU'RE MAKING, THIS
20 IS NOT JUST -- THIS IS SAVING LIVES. THIS IS A STAIR STEP. WE
21 HAVE TO KEEP ON GOING WITH THE RESOURCES BECAUSE IT IS
22 FISCALLY, ECONOMICALLY BETTER FOR THE COUNTY TO GO AHEAD AND
23 DEAL WITH THESE PEOPLE THAT NEED MENTAL HEALTH RIGHT NOW
24 VERSUS THE CRIMES THAT THEY CAN GO AHEAD AND COMMIT. AND DON'T
25 EVER FORGET THAT THE LIFE THAT MAY BE SAVED MAY BE OUR OWN OR

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1 OUR LOVED ONES. AND OUR LOVE SHOULD GO AHEAD AND TRANSFER TO
2 EVERYBODY. IT SHOULDN'T BE EXCLUSIVE, THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

5

6 **GEORGE BUZZETTI:** GEORGE BUZZETTI, NOW YOU ARE GOING TO LISTEN
7 TO THREE PEOPLE IN A ROW WHO HAVE BEEN INTO YOUR TRASH PIT.
8 DR. SHERIN, GEORGE BLAIR, RODRIGUEZ ARE ALL GOING TO PRISON.
9 BREAKING MY RIGHTS, AND YOU TOO, RIDLEY-THOMAS, WHERE'S MY
10 EXCULPATORY EVIDENCE, DUDIO? YOU WERE TALKING ABOUT MENTAL
11 HEALTH. ELIASBURG, YOU FOOL. YOU'RE BAR LICENSE IS GOING TO BE
12 DISAPPEARED. AND HERE'S WHY. I WENT TO YOU AND LYNN TWO YEARS
13 AGO TO STOP THE KILLING OF THE D.O.J. AGREEMENT. AND YOU,
14 FOOL. YES, YOU GENERAL COUNSEL. YOU ARE GOING DOWN, TOO.
15 BECAUSE RIGHT NOW, I HAVE THE FEDERAL [EXPLETIVE] PREPARED TO
16 TAKE YOU ALL OUT WITH THE LAW YOU ARE BREAKING, SUCH AS TO
17 OBTAIN A SECOND COMPETENCY HEARING, THERE MUST BE SUFFICIENT
18 EVIDENCE THAT SUBSTANTIAL CHANGE OF CIRCUMSTANCES OR NEW
19 EVIDENCE. DO ANY OF YOU KNOW THE LAW? I'M TAKING YOU DOWN
20 WITH THE LAW. AND YOUR STUPID FACE. YOU ARE GUILTY AND A
21 CRIMINAL. AND YOU TOO ELIASBURG BECAUSE YOU KICKED ME OUT OF A
22 MEETING.

23

24 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. GO AHEAD.

25

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1 **HERMAN HERMAN:** SO YOU HEARD THE UNDER SERVED, MY BROTHER'S
2 MENTORING PROGRAM CALLED A BED. NOW, FACTUAL FINDING OF
3 SUBSTANTIAL CONTRARY EVIDENCE TO THIS IS THAT NO ONE DESERVES
4 TO SLEEP ON A COT OR BED. H.H.H. AND PROPOSITION MEASURE TWO,
5 ALL OF THESE GRANTS AND BONDS TO FUND HOUSING FOR PEOPLE WITH
6 MENTAL HEALTH, AND [EXPLETIVE] IT, NO ONE CAN HELP. WHY DO
7 THEY HAVE TO COME IN HERE AND PROTEST? ARE YOU SAYING THAT
8 THEY ARE INCOMPETENT INCOMPETENT? OR IS IT O'CONNOR VERSUS
9 DONALDSON. OR SHOULD I FOLLOW THE RULES OF 18 U.S.C. 242
10 SECTION 242? MADAM, SHOULD I? CRUZE V. UNITED STATES 325 U.S.
11 9198.

12

13 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** SIR, I REMIND YOU OF THE TOPIC YOU ARE HERE
14 TO ADDRESS. PLEASE, STAY ON TOPIC.

15

16 **HERMAN HERMAN:** SUBSTANTIAL EVIDENCE, MORE THAN A SENTINEL BUT
17 LESS THAN REPONDENCE.

18

19 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU. THANK YOU. NEXT
20 SPEAKER, PLEASE.

21

22 **VICTOR TRUJILLO:** MY NAME IS VICTOR TRUJILLO. DR. SHERIN, I DO
23 KNOW THE GUY. I ACTUALLY DIDN'T KNOW HE WAS ONE OF THE
24 DIRECTORS IN CHARGE OF MENTAL HEALTH. WHEN MY UNCLE LEFT THIS
25 PLACE, LAST YEAR, I'VE GOT HIM ON TAPE WHERE HE WAS HIDING.

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1 AND HE WAS FOLLOWING THE PEOPLE LEAVING THIS DEPARTMENT. THEN
2 I SEE OTHER PEOPLE THAT ARE BASICALLY FOR N.A.M.I. THAT WORK
3 FOR DR. SHERIN. THEY ARE ALL WALKING OUT THE DOOR, THE VIDEO -
4 - EVERYBODY IS CONGRATULATING FROM EVERY CITY AND COUNTY. THEY
5 ARE PROBABLY GETTING \$100 FOR THIS THING. I HAVE BEEN PUT IN A
6 MENTAL HOSPITAL. AND I GOT THE FEDERAL DOCTORS, LISTEN TO
7 THIS, THE FEDERAL DOCTORS, THEY GAVE ME PERMISSION, THEY WILL
8 REPRESENT ME, WHEN I GOT -- THEY HAD TO FABRICATE MY RECORDS
9 IN A STATE PRISON. AND IT WAS DONE BY A JUDGE, NOW JUDGE ESTE
10 AND JUDGE ZACHARY -- HADEN ZACHARY. AND IT WAS ALL COORDINATED
11 THROUGH DISTRICT ATTORNEY CARRIE SMITH THAT STOLE MY PROPERTY
12 WORTH 25 MILLION. NOW BARGER'S OFFICE, THEY JUST SOLD MY
13 PROPERTY. I'M FILING A LAWSUIT. HAVE A NICE DAY. THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

16

17 **REV. DR. MELLO DESIRE:** ALRIGHT, SO WE MENTIONED THAT THERE'S A
18 NEED FOR THE PROPERTIES TO BUILD THE MENTAL HEALTH BEDS. OKAY,
19 THE PROBLEM IS IF WE LOCATE THEM AND RELAY THEM TO DR. SHERIN,
20 WHAT IS THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST THERE? BECAUSE THERE'S A LOT
21 OF LAWS, OR RULES, OR REGULATIONS THAT I STILL NEED A COPY OF
22 THAT, WHEN WE RELAY AN ISSUE, LIKE A PROPERTY NAVIGATOR THAT
23 IS NEEDED TO IDENTIFY THE PROPERTY -- HELLO?

24

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1 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** GO AHEAD. YOU WERE BEING UP STAGED. GO
2 AHEAD.

3

4 **REV. DR. MELLO DESIRE:** YES. THE PROPERTIES THAT CAN BE
5 IDENTIFIED, HOW LONG WILL IT TAKE TO BUILD THE NECESSARY
6 SHELTER BEDS IN THEM IS THE QUESTION. WHEN YOU TAKE 2 TO 4
7 YEARS TO EVEN BUILD HOUSING, HOW MUCH TIME TO BUILD THE MENTAL
8 HEALTH WHEN THAT'S MORE ACUTE THAN -- YOU KNOW, THAT'S REALLY
9 NEEDED RIGHT NOW. SO MY CONCERN IS WHEN YOU'RE PUTTING GREAT
10 AGENDAS ON THERE, THE EXECUTION PHASE IS WHAT PEOPLE THE NEED
11 TO KNOW. WHEN YOU ARE TAKING FOREVER AND A DAY TO DO
12 EVERYTHING, THE AGENDA IS PLACED ON THERE, IT DOES NOT MEAN
13 MUCH UNLESS IT IS ACTUALLY EXECUTED. SO CAN WE SPEED THAT UP?

14

15 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

16

17 **RED CHIEF HUNT:** I AM THE RED CHIEF HUNT. LISTEN, MY CONCERN
18 WAS ABOUT TIME, PLACE, AND MANNER, TOO. WE KNOW IT IS A GOOD
19 ORDINANCE. AND WE KNOW IT'S A GOOD ORDER AND THINGS LIKE THAT.
20 BUT TIME, PLACE, AND MANNER IS EVEN BETTER. IT IS A LOT OF --
21 IT IS A LOT OF MENTALLY ILL PEOPLE THAT'S OUT THERE, BUT WILL
22 THEY GET THE RIGHT HELP AND WILL IT BE THE RIGHT PLACEMENT FOR
23 THEM AND WILL WE HAVE THE RIGHT EVALUATORS DOING IT FOR THE
24 PEOPLE THAT REALLY NEED IT, SUPPOSED TO HAVE AND THINGS LIKE
25 THAT? SO MY CONCERN, TOO, IS TIME, PLACE, AND MANNER. I WISH I

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1 COULD GET THE FRAMEWORK TO THIS ORDINANCE OR THIS THING.

2 THANKS FOR DOING A GOOD JOB. YOU GUYS KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK

3 AND THANKS FOR RUNNING A GOOD MEETING, JANICE.

4

5 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. BEFORE THE NEXT SPEAKER, I THINK

6 WE HAVE SOMEBODY ELSE TO CALL UP?

7

8 **LORAYNE LINGAT, A.E.O.:** WOULD YVONNE AUTRY PLEASE COME

9 FORWARD.

10

11 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE, OR SPEAKERS.

12

13 **PRECIOUS YOUNG:** YES, HELLO. MY NAME IS PRECIOUS YOUNG. I

14 BELIEVE THAT THIS IS A GOOD MOTION. BUT I THINK THAT HOSPITAL

15 BEDS IS NOT THE ONLY PROBLEM BECAUSE I KNOW, MYSELF, I'M A

16 MENTAL HEALTH CLIENT. AND I WENT TO EXODUS RECOVERY IN L.A.

17 AND THEY ONLY KEEP YOU FOR ONE DAY. AND THEY ASK YOU WHAT DO

18 YOU NEED. AND THEY GIVE YOU A LIST OF PAPERS FOR REFERRALS TO

19 SHELTERS. AND THEN THEY SEND YOU ON YOUR WAY WITH SOME BUS

20 TOKENS, LIKE THE YOUNG LADY SAID. SO THEY DON'T OFFER AN

21 EXTENSIVE STAY. THEY KEEP YOU OVERNIGHT. THEY DON'T HAVE BEDS.

22 THEY HAD SOFA CHAIRS, LIKE THE LITTLE LOUNGE CHAIRS TO SIT IN

23 LIKE RECLINERS, YES. THEY HAVE THE RECLINER CHAIRS TO SLEEP

24 IN. THAT'S WHAT WE SLEPT IN. AND THEY FED YOU GREAT, OF COURSE.

25 THEY GET FUNDED FOR THAT, BUT THERE'S NO SERVICES FOR

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1 EXTENSIVE STAY. THE CLIENTS NEEDED SOMETHING MORE INCLUSIVE,
2 INSTEAD OF JUST A A ONE-NIGHTER, GET A PIECE OF PAPER REFERRAL
3 TO GO FIND SOMEWHERE ELSE TO GO, TAKE YOUR PROBLEMS TO. IT
4 NEEDS TO BE BETTER THAN THAT. THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

7

8 **SPEAKER:** WHAT I WANTED TO SAY, HAVING ALSO BEEN FALSELY
9 ACCUSED OF 5150, OF EXHIBITIONISM, WHICH GOD KNOWS I NEVER
10 COMMITTED, WE NEED TO RECOGNIZE THAT THERE'S A PLETHORA OF
11 THOSE THAT HAVE BEEN MISDIAGNOSED WHO ARE USED IN RITUAL AS
12 SEX SLAVES FOR THE SERVICING AND THE ACCESS OF MASONS AND
13 OTHER SECRET SOCIETAL MEMBERS. SO RATHER THAN PROLIFERATE
14 THE BEDS, WE NEED TO FIND TREATMENT AND EVEN PREVENTION FROM
15 THOSE WHO ARE MOLESTED, WHO ARE MISUSED AND ABUSED AND
16 SERVICED AS CHILDREN, PUT IN THE BOX AND THE PROVERBIAL BED,
17 IF YOU WILL, SO THEY WILL NOT BE DYSFUNCTIONAL FOR THE REST OF
18 THEIR LIVES. MEDICATION AND MENTAL HOSPITALIZATION IS NOT THE
19 ANSWER FOR THESE CHILDREN THAT ARE MEDICATED. AND THAT
20 GENERATES MORE MONEY FOR THE SYSTEM. THIS IS A BUSINESS
21 CREATING DYSFUNCTIONAL PEOPLE THAT WOULD NORMALLY HAVE BEEN TO
22 ENTER THE SYSTEM, WORKING FOR THEMSELVES. SO WE DON'T NEED TO
23 PROLIFERATE THE BEDS. WE NEED TO STOP MISDIAGNOSING AND THEN
24 FIND A WAY FOR THE PEOPLE TO BE FUNCTIONAL, EXPRESS

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1 THEMSELVES, WITHOUT SACRIFICING THEM TORTURING OR DAMAGING
2 THEM FURTHER.

3

4 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ANY OTHER SPEAKERS ON THIS ITEM?

5

6 **LORAYNE LINGAT, A.E.O.:** THAT'S IT, MADAM CHAIR.

7

8 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY, THOSE ARE ALL THE SPEAKERS FOR THIS
9 ITEM. SUPERVISOR BARGER, WOULD YOU LIKE TO MAKE SOME CLOSING
10 REMARKS?

11

12 **SUP. KUEHL:** I WANT TO THANK EVERYONE WHO CAME TO SPEAK,
13 ESPECIALLY THE FAMILY MEMBERS WHO SHARED THEIR PERSONAL
14 STORIES. IT IS NOT LOST ON ME THE TOLL IT TAKES ON THE
15 INDIVIDUAL BUT ALSO ON THE FAMILY. AND ONE OF THE THINGS THAT
16 WAS TALKED ABOUT WAS THE OVERALL COSTS OF PROVIDING SERVICE,
17 IN AND OUT, REVOLVING DOOR. AND I THINK THE AMOUNT WAS A
18 MILLION DOLLARS IN ONE CASE BECAUSE THE INDIVIDUAL IS IN AND
19 OUT AND NOT GETTING THE CARE. AND THERE'S NO QUESTION THAT THE
20 STEP-DOWN BEDS ARE A MUST. WHEN WE LOOK AT HOW FAR WE HAVE
21 COME WITH MENTAL HEALTH TREATMENTS, I BELIEVE THAT WE CAN DO
22 THIS IF WE WORK OUTSIDE OF THE SILOS. LAST WEEK, THE
23 SUPERVISORS, WE VOTED ON THE MOTION TO INCLUDE MORE DOLLARS
24 FOR SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO ADDRESS MENTAL HEALTH. AND, YOU KNOW,
25 WE CANNOT OPERATE -- IT HAS TO BE A HOLISTIC APPROACH TO HOW

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1 WE ADDRESS THIS BECAUSE MENTAL HEALTH IS NOT JUST ABOUT
2 HOSPITALIZATION BUT, AT THE SAME TIME, IT IS ABOUT ACCESSING
3 SERVICES EARLY IN ORDER TO PREVENT MOVING TOWARD THE
4 HOSPITALIZATION. AND I BELIEVE THAT, WITH THE ADVANCEMENT OF
5 MEDICINE, WE HAVE THE OPPORTUNITIES TO MAKE THAT DIFFERENCE.
6 YOU KNOW, THE JUVENILE SHORTAGE OF BEDS HAS BEEN A LONG
7 STANDING ISSUE FOR 30 YEARS. I REMEMBER WHEN THERE WAS ONLY
8 ONE LOCKED FACILITY IN L.A. COUNTY. I DON'T THINK IT HAS
9 CHANGED. I THINK IT IS STILL JUST STAR, IF I'M CORRECT. AND SO
10 THERE HAS ALWAYS BEEN NOT ENOUGH BEDS. AND SO IT IS IMPORTANT
11 FOR US TO LOOK AT THAT COMPONENT. AND I KNOW THAT DR. SHERIN
12 DID TOUCH ON THAT. SO THAT IS SOMETHING THAT, MOVING FORWARD,
13 NEEDS TO BE ADDRESSED. BUT AGAIN, I WOULD SAY IF YOU LOOK
14 AROUND THIS COUNTRY, AND I'M GOING TO GO UP AND LOOK AT THE
15 ONE IN PORTLAND, OREGON, AND YOU LOOK AT WHY THEY BUILT A
16 FREE-STANDING BED, IT WAS BECAUSE THEY RECOGNIZED THERE WAS A
17 NEED TO PROVIDE BETTER CARE. EACH HOSPITAL WAS, AND YOU HEARD
18 WITH HUNTINGTON HOSPITAL, WHEN YOU HAVE INDIVIDUALS COMING TO
19 THE EMERGENCY ROOM TAKING UP A BED AND NOT GETTING THE PROPER
20 LEVEL OF CARE NECESSARY AND DISRUPTING THE EMERGENCY ROOM, IT
21 IS A DISSERVICE NOT ONLY TO THAT INDIVIDUAL, BUT TO THE PEOPLE
22 WAITING THERE TO GET SERVICES. WE NEED TO DO A BETTER JOB, AND
23 I KNOW WE CAN DO A BETTER JOB. AND WHEN I LISTEN TO EVERYONE
24 THAT TESTIFIED, MANY A TIMES, SOME OF THE PEOPLE THAT
25 TESTIFIED WOULD HAVE BEEN TESTIFYING IN THE OPPOSITE POSITION

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1 ON ITEMS. BUT TODAY, EVERYONE CAME TOGETHER RECOGNIZING THAT
2 IF WE CAN DO THIS, IT IS A WIN-WIN. IT IS A WIN FOR THOSE THAT
3 DON'T WANT PEOPLE ENDING UP IN OUR JAILS THAT COMMITTED A
4 CRIME BASED ON MENTAL ILLNESS, NOT BASED ON THE FACT THAT THEY
5 ARE A CRIMINAL. YOU HAVE INDIVIDUALS COMING FORWARD THAT ARE
6 FAMILY MEMBERS THAT SAYING IF THERE WERE BEDS AVAILABLE, THEIR
7 LOVED ONE WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN ON THE STREET AND, GOD FORBID IN
8 THE SITUATION WE HEARD, DEAD. AND THEN YOU HEAR FROM THE
9 DOCTORS IN THE EMERGENCY ROOM SAYING IT IS A BETTER LEVEL OF
10 CARE TO BE GIVEN TO AN INDIVIDUAL WHEN THEY CAN BE IN AN
11 ENVIRONMENT THAT IS FOCUSED ON THEIR NEEDS. AND THEN WHEN YOU
12 HAVE THE STEP-DOWN BEDS, YOU MOVE THEM FROM THAT HOSPITAL
13 WHERE THEY MAY NEED THE INTENSE CARE DOWN TO A TREATMENT OR A
14 BED THAT IS MORE IN LINE WITH WHAT THEIR NEED IS, WHICH
15 ULTIMATELY MEANS THAT WE PREVENT PEOPLE FROM ENDING UP ON THE
16 STREET. AND I'M NOT NAIVE. I KNOW THERE ARE GOING TO BE THOSE
17 INDIVIDUALS THAT WILL FALL THROUGH THE CRACKS OR ARE NOT GOING
18 TO WANT CARE THAT MAY END UP ON THE STREET. WHEN I WAS PUSHING
19 FOR THE MENTAL HEALTH LEGISLATION LAST YEAR ON GRAVELY
20 DISABLED, ONE OF THE COMMON THEMES I HAD, WHICH WAS VERY
21 FRUSTRATING TO ME, BUT IT WAS TRUE, WAS WE DON'T HAVE THE
22 RESOURCES TO ADDRESS THOSE CURRENTLY IN NEED. IF YOU OPEN UP
23 THE FLOODGATES, WHERE ARE THEY GOING TO GO? AND IT IS TRUE. SO
24 THIS IS ONE STEP TOWARD HELPING US PUT TOGETHER A STRUCTURE
25 THAT I BELIEVE IS COMPASSIONATE, LONG OVERDUE, AND WILL MAKE A

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1 DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF, NOT ONLY INDIVIDUALS SUFFERING
2 WITH MENTAL ILLNESS, BUT ALSO THE FAMILIES. AND MAKE NO
3 MISTAKE, THEY SUFFER SOMETIMES MORE KNOWING THEIR LOVED ONE
4 CANNOT GET ACCESS TO CARE. SO I THANK THIS BOARD. AND, AGAIN,
5 THANK YOU SUPERVISOR SOLIS. THIS IS A MOTION THAT I'M PROUD
6 OF. AND KNOW THAT THIS BOARD, WHILE IT HAS OUR TWO NAMES ON
7 IT, THIS IS ABOUT THE BOARD COLLECTIVELY WANTING TO MAKE A
8 DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF THOSE IN L.A. COUNTY. SO WITH THAT,
9 I APPRECIATE EVERYONE'S SUPPORT ON THIS MOTION.

10

11 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. AND WE SAY DITTO TO ALL THAT YOU
12 JUST SAID. THAT ITEM IS NOW BEFORE US, ITEM 8.

13

14 **SUP. BARGER:** MADAM CHAIR, CAN I HAVE ONE MORE THING. CAN I
15 THANK MY STAFF MEMBER, ERIC MATTOS, WHO HAS REALLY PUT HIS
16 HEART AND SOUL INTO THIS. HE LIVES, SLEEPS, AND DRINKS THIS.
17 SO, I WANTED TO THANK ERIC FOR THAT. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE].

18

19 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** ANYTHING ELSE? ITEM 8 IS BEFORE US, AS
20 AMENDED. IT IS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER, SECONDED BY
21 SUPERVISOR SOLIS TO APPROVE THIS TIME. IF THERE ARE NO
22 OBJECTIONS TO A UNANIMOUS VOTE, THAT WILL BE THE ORDER.
23 [APPLAUSE]. WE'RE NOW ON ITEM 9. THIS WAS ALSO HELD BY
24 SUPERVISOR BARGER, WOULD YOU LIKE TO MAKE SOME OPENING REMARKS
25 ON THIS AS WELL?

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1

2 **SUP. BARGER:** YEAH, MADAM CHAIR, I WILL MAKE THIS SHORT. I WANT
3 TO THANK SUPERVISOR KUEHL FOR CO-AUTHORING THIS MOTION WIHT
4 ME. I'D ALSO LIKE TO THANK LYNN SCOTT FOR COMING TO SPEAKING
5 TODAY. THE L.A. BREATHMOBILE PROGRAM HAS BEEN AROUND SINCE
6 1995 WHEN IT WAS ESTABLISHED AS THE FIRST MOBILE PEDIATRIC
7 ASTHMA MANAGEMENT PROGRAM IN THE NATION, BASED OUT OF L.A.
8 COUNTY U.S.C. MEDICAL CENTER. THE SUCCESS OF THIS PROGRAM HAS
9 BEEN REMARKABLE, AS 85 PERCENT OF THEIR PATIENTS ACHIEVE WELL-
10 CONTROLLED ASTHMA BY VISIT THREE TO THE PROGRAM, WITH A 96
11 PERCENT PROBABILITY OF ACHIEVING CONTROL BY VISIT NUMBER SIX.
12 WHILE THE PROGRAM HAS BEEN ACCESSIBLE THROUGHOUT MOST OF THE
13 COUNTY, THE ONE PLACE IT IS NOT EXPANDED YET IS IN THE
14 ANTELOPE VALLEY WHERE I WOULD ARGUE IT IS NEEDED MOST.
15 ACCORDING TO OUR DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, THE CHILDHOOD
16 ASTHMA PREVALENCE RATE IS HIGHEST IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY AT
17 14.2 PERCENT. THIS IS NEARLY DOUBLE THE COUNTYWIDE AVERAGE OF
18 7.4 PERCENT. ADDITIONAL DATA SHOWS THAT 69.6 PERCENT OF
19 CHILDREN WITH ASTHMA IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY REPORT HAVING TO
20 MISS ONE DAY OR MORE OF SCHOOL OR DAYCARE DUE TO ASTHMA. AND
21 34.2 PERCENT OF CHILDREN IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY REPORT AN
22 EMERGENCY ROOM OR URGENT CARE VISIT DUE TO ASTHMA. THE
23 ANTELOPE VALLEY BREATHMOBILE WILL PLAY A CRITICAL ROLE IN
24 EXPANDING ACCESS TO SPECIALTY CARE FOR ALL CHILDREN BY
25 BRINGING THESE SERVICES TO OUR SCHOOLS AND TO OUR COMMUNITY-

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1 BASED SITES. THIS PROGRAM WILL ALSO PROVIDE ACCESS TO
2 PRESCRIPTION MEDICATIONS THAT HELP KEEP ASTHMA UNDER CONTROL
3 AND PROVIDE VALUABLE EDUCATION MATERIALS TO MINIMIZE THE
4 TRIGGERS OF ASTHMA IN THE HOME ENVIRONMENT. I LOOK FORWARD TO
5 THE ROLL OUT OF THIS PROGRAM IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY AND
6 WORKING WITH D.H.S. DIRECTOR, DR. KRISTINA GALLEY, TO PROVIDE
7 TOOLS NEEDED AND THE ATTENTION TO MAKE THIS PROGRAM
8 SUCCESSFUL. THIS IS ONE OF THOSE THAT, IF YOU TALK TO E.R.
9 DOCTORS, IS PREVENTABLE FROM BEING IN THE E.R. IF DO JUST WHAT
10 THIS IS GOING TO DO. AND THAT IS GET ACCESS TO TREATMENT AND
11 GET IT OUT THERE NOW. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AND THANK YOU,
12 SUPERVISOR KUEHL FOR CO-SPONSORING THIS WITH ME.

13

14 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL.

15

16 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR
17 BARGER FOR BRINGING THE MOTION AND LETTING ME CO-AUTHOR. AS
18 YOU MENTIONED, THE BREATHMOBILE HAS SHOWN TO BE VERY EFFECTIVE
19 FOR THE COUNTY IN ADDRESSING CHILDHOOD ASTHMA. UNCONTROLLED
20 ASTHMA MEANS WE HAVE SO MANY KIDS WHO ARE MISSING SCHOOL OR
21 SITTING OUT THEIR DAY IN SPORTS BECAUSE THEY SIMPLY CAN'T GET
22 ENOUGH BREATH. SO THE BREATHMOBILE CAN HELP US CHANGE ALL OF
23 THAT BY BRINGING SERVICES DIRECTLY TO OUR WHERE OUR MOST
24 IMPACTED KIDS ARE. AND I THINK IT IS NOT WELL-KNOWN, AND I'M
25 REALLY GLAD THAT YOU BROUGHT THE NUMBERS TO OUR ATTENTION, HOW

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1 SERIOUS THIS ISSUE IS IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY IN YOUR DISTRICT
2 AND TOUCHING ON PARTS OF MINE IN THE NORTHERN PART AS WELL.
3 THE BREATHMOBILE HAS PROVIDED SOME WONDERFUL SERVICES TO THE
4 REST OF THE COUNTY. AND IT IS TIME FOR US TO ENSURE THAT THE
5 CHILDREN OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY CAN RECEIVE THESE SERVICES AS
6 WELL. SO GOOD ON YA, AND I'M HAPPY TO CO-AUTHOR.

7

8 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE
9 CALL THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS US
10 ON THIS ITEM.

11

12 **LORAYNE LINGAT, A.E.O.:** WOULD THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE
13 COME FORWARD. DR. LYNN SCOTT, ERIC PREVEN, HERMAN HERMAN, DR.
14 GENEVIEVE CLAVRUEL. PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST
15 YOU, AND MR. RED CHIEF HUNT.

16

17 **DR. LYNNE SCOTT:** THANK YOU. I'M DR. LYNNE SCOTT. I'M BOARD
18 CERTIFIED IN PEDIATRICS AND ALLERGY AND IMMUNOLOGY. AND FOR
19 THE PAST 10 YEARS, IT HAS BEEN MY PRIVILEGE TO SERVE THE
20 CHILDREN OF LOS ANGELES WITH ASTHMA. THIS PROGRAM, I CANNOT
21 SPEAK ENOUGH GOOD THINGS ABOUT. WE DO PREVENTATIVE ASTHMA CARE
22 AS WELL AS TREAT EPISODIC ASTHMA ATTACKS ON THE MOBILES. WE
23 PROVIDE EXTENSIVE ASTHMA EDUCATION, MAKING SURE THAT THE
24 CHILDREN AND THE FAMILY UNDERSTAND THEIR TREATMENT PLANS AS
25 WELL AS ELIMINATING BARRIERS OF ACCESS TO CARE. AS SUPERVISOR

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1 BARGER SAID, OUR OUTCOMES HAVE BEEN REPLICATED NATIONALLY. WE
2 HAVE SEVERAL SISTER PROGRAMS THAT WE'VE HELPED START, AND
3 THROUGH PUBLICATIONS IN PEER-REVIEWED JOURNALS HAVE PUBLISHED
4 OUR OUTCOMES. SOME I WOULD LIKE TO SHARE WITH YOU, FOR
5 PATIENTS PARTICIPATING IN THE BREATHMOBILE PROGRAM, ON
6 AVERAGE, THEY HAVE AN 67 PERCENT REDUCTION IN EMERGENCY
7 DEPARTMENT VISITS, AN 87 PERCENT REDUCTION IN
8 HOSPITALIZATIONS, AND AN 86 PERCENT IMPROVEMENT IN SCHOOL
9 ATTENDANCE DUE TO ASTHMA RELATED EXACERBATIONS. FOR OUR RETURN
10 ON INVESTMENT, FOR EVERY DOLLAR INVESTED IN THE PROGRAM, WE
11 HAVE SHOWN A \$7 RETURN ON INVESTMENT JUST IN TERMS OF
12 EMERGENCY ROOM AVOIDANCE AND QUALITY ADJUSTED LIFE YEARS. THE
13 SAFETY AND EFFICACY OF THIS PROGRAM AND ITS MODEL HAVE BEEN
14 WELL-RECOGNIZED NATIONALLY WITH THE JACKSON CHARITABLE
15 HOSPITAL SERVICES AWARD, PREMIER CARE AWARD, BY LOS ANGELES
16 COUNTY THROUGH THE QUALITY AND PRODUCTIVITY AWARD AND THE TOP
17 MILLION DOLLAR AWARD, BACK IN 2007, AND BY THE JOINT
18 COMMISSION IN 2002 WITH ITS ORIGINAL DISEASE CERTIFICATION FOR
19 ANY DISEASE-SPECIFIC CARE OF ANY TYPE. AND FROM THIS PROGRAM'S
20 MODEL, CARE DELIVERY AND OUTCOMES, ALL OTHER DISEASE-SPECIFIC
21 ENTITY CERTIFICATIONS BY THE JOINT COMMISSION HAVE BEEN BASED,
22 AND THAT INCLUDES THE STROKE CENTER. SO I THANK YOU FOR YOU
23 TIME AND THANK YOU FOR LETTING US HELP THE CHILDREN.

24

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1 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANKS FOR YOUR
2 SERVICE. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

3

4 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVRUEL:** YES, GOOD AFTERNOON BOARD OF
5 SUPERVISORS, DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVRUEL. I WANT TO THANK
6 SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND BARGER TO BRING THAT MOTION. IT IS KIND
7 OF NICE TO SEE THINGS STARTING TO BE TAKEN CARE OF IN THE
8 ANTELOPE VALLEY BECAUSE I'M GETTING VERY CONCERNED ABOUT THE
9 STEP CHILD OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. SO ANYTIME YOU HAVE MOTION
10 TO MAKE THAT CHANGE, I WILL BE IN SUPPORT OF IT. THE ASTHMA
11 MOBILE IS A FANTASTIC PLAN TO TAKE CARE OF CHILDREN. AND I
12 THINK IF WE COULD DO MORE BEYOND ASTHMA, I KNOW THAT WE HAVE A
13 LOT ON H.I.V. TESTING AND SO ON, BUT I THINK WE COULD DO MORE
14 FOR CHILDREN DISEASE TO MAKE SURE THEY ARE TREATED WELL,
15 ESPECIALLY SICKLE CELL ANEMIA COME TO MIND, AND SO ON. SO
16 PLEASE CONTINUE IN THAT VEIN AND MAKE SURE THAT THE MONEY IS
17 SUFFICIENT TO DO A VERY GOOD JOB AND DON'T CUT CORNERS. SO
18 THANK YOU FOR LOOKING AT IT IN A VERY OBJECTIVE WAY. BUT MAKE
19 SURE THE MONEY IS THERE. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

20

21 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** MERCI. YOU HAVE ONE MORE SPEAKER TO CALL.

22

23 **LORAYNE LINGAT, A.E.O. :** VICTOR TRUJILLO, PLEASE COME FORWARD.

24

25 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** WELCOME.

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1

2 **VICTOR TRUJILLO:** GOOD AFTERNOON. HOW ARE YOU DOING? MY NAME IS
3 VICTOR TRUJILLO. ANYTHING THAT HAS TO DO WITH THE ANTELOPE
4 VALLEY, LOOK INTO IT. EVERYTHING OUT THERE IS ORGANIZED CRIME.
5 IF YOU LOOK FOR IT, I FOUND HOMELESS TOILETS OUT IN THE MIDDLE
6 OF THE DESERT BEING PAID \$2500 A DAY FROM THE COUNTY. AND
7 WE'RE DEALING WITH BARGER'S GROUP. I GOT INFORMATION I'M GOING
8 TO SHARE IN PUBLIC COMMENT, BUT THESE KIND OF PROGRAMS WITH
9 THESE BUSES AND STUFF LIKE THAT, THEY ARE GETTING PAID, I
10 DON'T KNOW WHAT THE COST IS IN A DAY, MAYBE \$2,500. THAT IS
11 MICKEY MOUSE. THE DESERT, EVERYTHING IS CHEAP. YOU CAN BUY A
12 WHOLE CITY BLOCK AND SET UP SOME TYPE OF MEDICAL CLINICS FOR
13 BREATHING AND WHAT NOT. WE KNOW WHAT IS OUT THERE, AND WE ARE
14 THROWING A BUS. COME ON, YOU ARE THROWING KIDS AND FAMILIES
15 UNDER A BUS. THIS IS THE TYPE OF PARENTS YOU GUYS ARE. THIS IS
16 THE SICKEST THING I EVER SEEN. I WISH YOU LUCK. IF YOU GUYS GO
17 TO HELL, DON'T ASK FOR MERCY. HAVE A GOOD DAY, THANK YOU.

18

19 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, ARE THOSE ALL THE SPEAKERS THAT
20 HAVE SIGNED UP? OKAY, SUPERVISOR BARGER, WOULD YOU LIKE TO
21 MAKE CLOSING REMARKS?

22

23 **SUP. BARGER:** NO, I THINK WE'VE SAID IT ALL.

24

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1 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** GREAT, OKAY. ITEM 9 IS BEFORE US,
2 COLLEAGUES. IT IS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER, SECONDED BY
3 SUPERVISOR KUEHL TO APPROVE THIS ITEM. IF THERE ARE NO
4 OBJECTIONS TO A UNANIMOUS VOTE, THAT WILL BE THE ORDER. ALL
5 RIGHT, ITEM 12. THIS WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS. WOULD YOU
6 LIKE TO MAKE OPENING REMARKS?

7

8 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES, THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR. I ALSO WANT TO THANK
9 THE OFFICE OF IMMIGRANT AFFAIRS, THE DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER
10 AND BUSINESS AFFAIRS, THE COUNTY COUNSEL, OUR C.E.O.,
11 LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, AND MANY OTHERS WHO HAVE BEEN WORKING ON
12 THIS ISSUE FOR SOME TIME HERE IN THE COUNTY. SOME OF US ARE
13 AWARE THAT NOTARIOS ARE SOMETIMES VIEWED BY MANY IN OUR
14 IMMIGRATION COMMUNITY, OUR IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY, AS EXPERTS,
15 MISLEADINGLY AS EXPERTS IN IMMIGRATION. THEY PRETEND TO
16 PROVIDE, AND IN SOME CASES THEY MIGHT PROVIDE, INFORMATION ON
17 IMMIGRATION, BUT THEY ARE NOT ATTORNEYS. AND THEY ARE NOT
18 AUTHORIZED TO PROVIDE THE KIND OF INFORMATION AND SERVICES
19 THAT THEY CHARGE MANY SPANISH-SPEAKING IMMIGRANTS, AS WELL AS
20 OTHER -- A.P.I., WE ARE TALKING ABOUT MANY, MANY PEOPLE WHO
21 ARE JUST THINKING THAT NOTARIOS SAY IN THEIR FOREIGN COUNTRY,
22 MEXICO, OR CENTRAL AMERICA, OR LATIN AMERICA, ARE VIEWED AS
23 IMMIGRANTS, (INAUDIBLE) AS THEY SAY IN SOME CASES. BUT
24 NOTARIOS HERE IN OUR COUNTRY, AND ESPECIALLY OUR STATE, ARE
25 VIEWED DIFFERENTLY. THEY ARE ACTUALLY JUST SOMEONE WHO

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1 NOTARIZES A SIGNATURE OR A PAPER. ALL OF US HAVE INTERACTIONS
2 WITH THEM. SO, THE WORD IS CONFUSING I THINK IN MANY WAYS AND
3 HAS BEEN. BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY, WHAT HAS HAPPENED IS THAT
4 WE'RE FINDING THAT THEY, IN SOME CASES, WE HAVE SOME FOLKS
5 THAT ARE UNSCRUPULOUS. THEY TAKE ADVANTAGE OF OUR COMMUNITY
6 AND CHARGE THEM UPWARDS OF \$5,000 TO \$10,000 TO \$20,000. AND
7 DEPENDING ON HOW MANY PEOPLE THEY CAN GO AROUND AND COLLECT
8 INFORMATION, MAKE COPIES OF THEIR APPLICATIONS AND SAY THEY
9 WILL SUBMIT THEM TO THE IMMIGRATION SERVICES AND HELP TO
10 EXPEDITE THEIR GREEN CARD OR THEIR CITIZENSHIP OR T.P.S.,
11 TEMPORARY PROTECTIVE STATUS, IS VERY MISLEADING. AND IN SOME
12 CASES WE HAVE FOUND, I KNOW WE'RE GOING TO HEAR THIS FROM OUR
13 OFFICES, HOW PEOPLE HAVE BEEN ABUSED AND HARASSED IN SOME
14 WAYS. AND WHAT IS UNFORTUNATE IS THAT SOME IN OUR COMMUNITY
15 ARE FEARFUL THAT IF THEY DO TAKE ACTION AND THEY DO SPEAK UP
16 OR THEY DO MAKE A REPORT, THAT SOMEHOW THEY ARE GOING TO BE
17 VICTIMIZED AGAIN AND THAT THAT INFORMATION WILL BE SHARED WITH
18 IMMIGRATION SERVICES. WE KNOW THAT THAT'S NOT THE CASE. THE
19 COUNTY IS NOT IN A POSITION TO DO THAT. BUT WE NEED TO HAVE
20 PEOPLE TO CALL WHEN THEY SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING, CALL
21 US. CALL YOUR OFFICES AND TO LET US KNOW SO THAT WE CAN WORK
22 TO PUT THESE PEOPLE ON NOTICE, TO TAKE WHATEVER CIVIL
23 DIRECTION WE NEED TO LEGALLY, AND WORK WITH OUR OTHER
24 JURISDICTIONS TO HELP US MAKE SURE THAT THESE INDIVIDUALS
25 DON'T PREY ON OUR COMMUNITY BECAUSE THEY ARE PREDATORS. THERE

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1 MAY BE GOOD PEOPLE OUT THERE, BUT THERE ARE MANY WHO HAVE NOT
2 BEEN FORTHRIGHT. SO THAT'S WHAT THIS MOTION IS ABOUT TO HELP
3 COME UP WITH A PLAN, A LEGISLATIVE PLAN AS WELL. WE KNOW THAT
4 IN SACRAMENTO, OUR FRIENDS THERE HAVE ALSO BEEN LOOKING TO
5 WORK TOWARDS PROVIDING MORE PROTECTION AGAINST FRAUD AND
6 ABUSE IN THIS AREA. AND WE NEED TO HAVE OUR OFFICES IN
7 SACRAMENTO HELPING TO MOVE THAT NEEDLE, AND THEN, MORE
8 IMPORTANTLY, JUST GETTING OUR OFFICES ENGAGED. THIS IS
9 SOMETHING THAT THESE TWO GENTLEMEN I KNOW HAVE BEEN VERY
10 KEENLY INVOLVED IN. AND WE'VE ALREADY HAD SOME VERY
11 SIGNIFICANT CASES WHERE WE'VE ACTUALLY BEEN ABLE TO IDENTIFY
12 THESE INDIVIDUALS AND HAVE THE FORCE OF LAW APPLIED
13 APPROPRIATELY TO PUT THESE FOLKS AWAY. SO WITH THAT, MADAM
14 CHAIR, I WANT TO THANK YOU AND THANK OUR OFFICES HERE IN THE
15 DEPARTMENT AND FOLKS THAT I MENTIONED EARLIER FOR HELPING US
16 MOVE THIS ITEM ALONG. IT IS SOMETHING OF GREAT SIGNIFICANCE.
17 IT IS A BIG LOSS TO FAMILIES THAT, THROUGH NO FAULT OF THEIR
18 OWN, ARE MISLED, SOMETIMES LOSING THEIR HOMES, LOSING THEIR
19 JOBS, LOSING THEIR POSSESSIONS NEEDLESSLY. SO WITH THAT, MADAM
20 CHAIR, I WOULD ASK IF THERE ARE NO QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS,
21 THAT WE HEAR FROM OUR SPEAKERS.

22

23 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, AND I WANTED TO SAY, TOO, I
24 SUPPORT THIS MOTION VERY MUCH. I APPRECIATE YOU BRINGING THIS
25 FORWARD. AGAIN, THIS IS A POPULATION THAT IS SOMETIMES ALREADY

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1 FEARFUL AND, AS YOU SAID, PARTICULARLY ABOUT COMING FORTH WHEN
2 THEY FEEL LIKE SOMETHING IS WRONG BECAUSE THEY DON'T FEEL LIKE
3 THEY HAVE THE PROTECTION THAT THEY NEED TO COME FORTH AND
4 REPORT SOMETHING LIKE THIS. THESE ARE DEFINITELY SCAMS AND ARE
5 TARGETING PEOPLE THAT CAN LEAST AFFORD IT. I REALLY APPRECIATE
6 US, AGAIN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STEPPING UP AND SEEING
7 WHAT WE CAN DO. I UNDERSTAND IT WAS -- WE ATTEMPTED TO GET
8 SOME LEGISLATION IN SACRAMENTO LAST SESSION AND FAILED TO GET
9 IT. I THINK WE SHOULD TRY AGAIN AND HOPEFULLY THIS TIME WE CAN
10 WORK TO MAKE SURE IT PASSES. WOULD EITHER OF YOU LIKE TO SAY
11 SOMETHING?

12

13 **SPEAKER:** YES, GOOD AFTERNOON, MADAM CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE
14 BOARD, THANK YOU. MY NAME IS JOE NIKITA, THE DIRECTOR OF THE
15 DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AND BUSINESS AFFAIRS. THANK YOU TO
16 SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR PROPOSING THIS MOTION AND BRINGING
17 ATTENTION TO AN ISSUE OF PERVASIVE FRAUD THAT AFFECTS OUR
18 IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES. IN A MOMENT, I'M GOING TO TURN THE
19 FLOOR OVER TO RIGO REYES, OUR DEPARTMENT'S EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
20 OF THE OFFICE OF IMMIGRANT AFFAIRS TO TALK A LITTLE BIT MORE
21 ABOUT THE HARMS THAT ACTUALLY ARE EXPERIENCED BY INDIVIDUALS
22 WHO SUFFER FRAUD AT THE HANDS OF IMMIGRATION CONSULTANTS. BUT
23 I WANTED TO TAKE A MOMENT TO PUT EVERYONE ON THE SAME PAGE
24 ABOUT AN IMMIGRATION CONSULTANT CAN AND CAN'T DO. A
25 IMMIGRATION CONSULTANT, OR A NOTARIO IN SPANISH, ESSENTIALLY

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1 IS A FORM PREPARER. UNDER APPLICABLE LAW, AN IMMIGRATION
2 CONSULTANT CAN COMPLETE A FORM PROVIDED BY A FEDERAL OR STATE
3 AGENCY. THEY CANNOT ADVISE THE PERSON HOW TO ANSWER THAT FORM.
4 THEY CAN'T EVEN ADVISE THE PERSON WHAT FORMS THEY NEED TO FILL
5 OUT TO GET THE IMMIGRATION STATUS THEY ARE SEEKING. THEY CAN
6 TRANSLATE THE FORMS. THEY CAN TRANSLATE THE ANSWERS ON THE
7 FORMS. THEY CAN SECURE DOCUMENTS LIKE A BIRTH CERTIFICATE THAT
8 WOULD BE SUBMITTED ALONG WITH THE FORM. THEY CAN SUBMIT THE
9 FORM. AND THAT IS ABOUT IT. THE FACT OF THE MATTER IS THAT
10 IMMIGRATION CONSULTANTS ARE NOT LAWYERS. THEY CANNOT ADVISE ON
11 WHAT STEPS TO TAKE TO PURSUE ASYLUM OR ANY OTHER IMMIGRATION
12 STATUS. THEY CANNOT EVEN CONSULT, IN THE TRUE SENSE OF THE
13 WORD, BECAUSE THEY CANNOT PROVIDE ADVICE AND CONSULTATION ON
14 IMMIGRATION ISSUES. ONLY A LAWYER CAN DO THAT. AND I THINK
15 IT'S THIS CONFUSION, CREATED BY THE PERCEPTION THAT AN
16 IMMIGRATION CONSULTANT CAN PROVIDE ADVICE AND CONSULTATION
17 THAT CONTRIBUTES TO SO MUCH FRAUD AND ABUSE. IN 2014, OUR
18 DEPARTMENT REGISTERED 80 COMPLAINTS FOR IMMIGRATION
19 CONSULTANTS. IN 2018, WE TOOK IN OVER 260 COMPLAINTS. IN THAT
20 FOUR YEAR PERIOD, WE LOGGED OVER 680 COMPLAINTS. EACH YEAR,
21 THE NUMBER OF COMPLAINTS CONTINUES TO RISE. WE KNOW THAT OUR
22 COMPLAINTS REPRESENT A FRACTION OF THOSE WHO ARE VICTIMS, AS
23 MANY, MANY IMMIGRANTS ARE AFRAID TO COME FORWARD NOW AND
24 REPORT THESE CRIMES. THE ADVOCACY ORGANIZATIONS WE WORK WITH
25 DAY IN AND DAY OUT BELIEVE THAT A STATEWIDE BAN OF THE

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1 IMMIGRATION CONSULTANT INDUSTRY IS NEEDED. THEIR POSITION,
2 WHICH I THINK IS REASONABLE, AS THEY'VE EXPRESSED TO ME, IS NO
3 AMOUNT OF REGULATION AND TRAINING CAN TEACH SOMEBODY TO BECOME
4 A BETTER FAKE LAWYER, AS THEY PUT IT. AND SHORT OF A STATEWIDE
5 BAN, AND IF THIS INDUSTRY IS TO PERSIST, THERE ARE A NUMBER OF
6 CONSUMER-BASED PROTECTIONS AND MANDATORY DISCLOSURES THAT CAN
7 EDUCATE CONSUMERS ABOUT THE ROLE OF AN IMMIGRATION CONSULTANT
8 SO THEY DON'T FALL VICTIM TO FRAUD. KEY AMONG THOSE
9 PROTECTIONS IS CALLING AN IMMIGRATION CONSULTANT FOR WHAT HE
10 OR SHE IS, A FORM PREPARER, AND CAPPING THE FEES THAT AN
11 IMMIGRATION CONSULTANT CAN CHARGE SO THEY CANNOT BILK
12 UNSUSPECTING CONSUMERS FOR THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS FOR DOING
13 ESSENTIALLY WHAT A NOTARY PUBLIC DOES. THERE ARE CERTAINLY
14 OTHER WAYS TO PROTECT IMMIGRANT CONSUMERS IN ADDITION TO THOSE
15 I JUST MENTIONED. AND I THINK THE MOTION BEFORE YOUR BOARD
16 PROVIDES THE COUNTY FLEXIBILITY TO SEEK A LEGISLATIVE SOLUTION
17 THAT PROTECTS OUR CONSUMERS, NOT ONLY IN THIS COUNTY, BUT
18 STATEWIDE. I WANT TO TURN IT OVER TO RIGO TO TALK ABOUT THE
19 REAL-LIFE IMPACTS THAT CAN OCCUR WHEN SOMEBODY FALLS VICTIM TO
20 A FRAUDULENT IMMIGRATION CONSULTANT.

21

22 **RIGO REYES:** THANK YOU, JOE. GOOD AFTERNOON, MADAM CHAIR,
23 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. I, TOO, LIKE MR. NIKITA, I WOULD LIKE TO
24 THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR PROPSING THIS MOTION THAT WE
25 BELIEVE WILL PROVIDE US STRONGER TOOLS TO HELP VICTIMS OF THIS

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1 TYPE OF FRAUD. IN MY MORE THAN 20 YEARS INVESTIGATING ALL
2 TYPES OF CONSUMER FRAUD, I HAVE SEEN THAT IMMIGRATION SERVICES
3 FRAUD CAUSES MUCH GREATER HARM TO THE VICTIMS AND THEIR
4 FAMILIES. IT NOT ONLY ROBS THE VICTIMS OF THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS
5 THEY CANNOT AFFORD TO LOSE, OFTEN THE ACTIONS OF CROOKED
6 CONSULTANTS RESULT IN THE DEPORTATION OF THEIR VICTIMS WHO,
7 MANY TIMES, WERE ACTUALLY ELIGIBLE TO LEGALIZE THEIR
8 IMMIGRATION STATUS HAD THEY ONLY GONE TO A REAL ATTORNEY. NOW
9 I WOULD LIKE TO SHARE WITH YOU THE STORIES OF TWO REAL PEOPLE
10 WHOSE CASES SHOW THE IMPACT THAT SUCH FRAUD HAS ON IMMIGRANTS
11 AND THEIR FAMILIES. IN FACT, ONE OF THESE VICTIMS, MISS IMELDA
12 MIRANDA, A U.S. CITIZEN, IS HERE TO PERSONALLY TELL YOU THE
13 HARM THAT A FRAUDULENT IMMIGRATION CONSULTANT CAUSED HER AND
14 HER TWO SONS WHEN SHE HIRED THIS PERSON'S SERVICES. FIRST IS
15 THE CASE MRS. MARIA. I WILL, FOR PRIVACY REASONS, NOT MENTION
16 HER LAST NAME, BUT THIS IS HER STORY. A FRIEND REFERRED MRS.
17 MARIA TO A WELL-KNOWN IMMIGRATION CONSULTANT FOR HELP WITH HER
18 CASE. MS. MARIA TRUSTED HER FRIEND'S RECOMMENDATION BECAUSE
19 SHE HAD SEEN THE BUSINESS OWNERS ON TELEVISION MANY TIMES. MS.
20 MARIA NEEDED TO FIX HER IMMIGRATION PAPERS. THAT'S WHAT SHE
21 TOLD US AFTER THE U.S. CITIZEN HUSBAND AND NAVY VETERAN
22 SUDDENLY PASSED AWAY. SHE HAD MARRIED HER HUSBAND NINETEEN
23 YEARS AGO, AFTER SHE ENTERED THE U.S. ON A VISA BUT NEVER
24 OBTAINED A GREEN CARD. WHEN HER HUSBAND PASSED AWAY, MS. MARIA
25 BECAME VERY WORRIED ABOUT HER IMMIGRATION STATUS AND WENT TO

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1 THE RECOMMENDED CONSULTANT FOR ASSISTANCE TO LEGALIZE HER
2 STATUS. THE IMMIGRATION CONSULTANT TOLD MS. MARIA SHE KNEW HAD
3 TO LEGALIZE HER STATUS AND CHARGE HER ABOUT \$2,400 FOR HER
4 SERVICES. MS. MARIA AND HER HUSBAND DIDN'T HAVE MUCH MONEY,
5 AND THINGS GOT EVEN TIGHTER AFTER HE PASSED AWAY. SO SHE HAD
6 TO ASK HER RELATIVES IN MEXICO FOR A LOAN IN ORDER TO PAY THE
7 IMMIGRATION CONSULTANT FEES. A FEW MONTHS AFTER HER
8 IMMIGRATION APPLICATION WAS FILED, MS. MARIA RECEIVED A WORK
9 PERMIT FROM IMMIGRATION AUTHORITIES, WHICH SHE USED TO GET A
10 CALIFORNIA I.D. CARD. FOR MONTHS, MS. MARIA WOULD REGULARLY
11 CALL THE IMMIGRATION CONSULTANT TO INQUIRE ABOUT THE STATUS OF
12 HER CASE. EACH TIME, SHE WAS TOLD TO KEEP WAITING, THAT
13 IMMIGRATION MATTERS TOOK A LONG TIME. A FEW MONTHS BEFORE HER
14 WORK PERMIT WAS GOING TO EXPIRE, MS. MARIA WENT TO THE
15 IMMIGRATION CONSULTANT, WHO TOLD HER NOT TO WORRY AND SHE WAS
16 GOING TO REVIEW THE PERMIT. A COUPLE MONTHS LATER, MS. MARIA
17 WENT TO D.M.V. TO RENEW HER CALIFORNIA I.D. THAT WAS ABOUT TO
18 EXPIRE. THE D.M.V. TOLD HER HER SHE NO LONGER HAD A VALID WORK
19 PERMIT AND THEREFORE REFUSED TO RENEW HER I.D. AND AT ABOUT
20 THAT TIME, MS. MARIA ALSO RECEIVED A NOTICE THAT HER SOCIAL
21 SECURITY BENEFITS THAT SHE WAS RECEIVING THROUGH HER VETERAN
22 HUSBAND WERE GOING TO BE CANCELED AS WELL. STILL TRUSTING AND
23 RELYING ON THE IMMIGRATION CONSULTANT, MS. MARIA WENT BACK TO
24 HER FOR AN EXPLANATION. THE CONSULTANT STILL INSISTED THAT
25 EVERYTHING WAS OKAY AND ASKED HER TO COME BACK SOME OTHER DAY.

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1 EVENTUALLY, MS. MARIA CONSULTED WITH AN ATTORNEY WHO TOLD HER
2 WORK PERMIT EXPIRED BECAUSE THE IMMIGRATION CONSULTANT HAD
3 FAILED TO RESPOND TO NOT JUST ONE, BUT TWO NOTICES FROM
4 IMMIGRATION OFFICIALS FOR HEARING AND ADDITIONAL PAPERWORK.
5 THE ATTORNEY TOLD MS. MARIA THAT IF THE IMMIGRATION CONSULTANT
6 HAD RESPONDED TO THE NOTICES, SHE WOULD HAVE LEGALIZED HER
7 STATUS BY NOW BUT THAT BECAUSE NO RESPONSE WAS SUBMITTED,
8 IMMIGRATION OFFICIALS HAD CANCELED HER PETITION AND THAT IT
9 WAS GOING TO BE VERY DIFFICULT AND COSTLY TO RE-OPEN AND WIN
10 HER CASE. WHEN MS. MARIA WENT TO CONFRONT THE IMMIGRATION
11 CONSULTANT, SHE FINALLY ADMITTED THAT SHE HAD NOT EVEN OPENED
12 THE NOTICES SHE HAD RECEIVED FROM IMMIGRATION OFFICIALS. BUT
13 INSTEAD OF TAKING PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY, THE CONSULTANT
14 PREPARED A LETTER FOR MS. MARIA TO SEND TO IMMIGRATION
15 OFFICIALS ASKING FOR FORGIVENESS FOR HAVING MISSED THE NOTICES
16 HERSELF. MS. MARIA NEVER HEARD BACK FROM IMMIGRATION
17 OFFICIALS. AND NOW, I'M GOING TO SUMMARIZE SOMETHING SIMILAR
18 FROM THE SECOND VICTIM THAT, LIKE I SAID, IS HERE TO
19 PERSONALLY SHARE HER STORY. SHE, LIKE MS. MARIA, MS. MIRANDA
20 WENT TO A WELL-KNOWN IMMIGRATION CONSULTANT AFTER A FRIEND
21 RECOMMENDED HER TO THIS PERSON. MRS. MIRANDA, A U.S. CITIZEN,
22 NEEDED ASSISTANCE TO LEGALIZE THE STATUS OF HER TWO ADULT SONS
23 WHO LIVE IN MEXICO. AND THEY WANTED TO COME UP BECAUSE OF
24 ISSUES THEY WERE CONFRONTING DOWN THERE. ONE OF THEM WAS
25 ASSAULTED. THE CONSULTANT PROMISED HER THAT HE KNEW HOW TO

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1 HELP HER AND DEMANDED \$1,500 FOR EACH SON JUST TO OPEN THEIR
2 CASES. AS SOON AS THE IMMIGRATION OFFICIALS NOTIFIED MRS.
3 MIRANDA THAT THEY HAD RECEIVED THE PETITIONS FOR HER SONS, THE
4 IMMIGRATION CONSULTANT DEMANDED THAT SHE IMMEDIATELY PAY HIM
5 \$4,000 MORE FOR EACH OF HER SONS IN ORDER TO CONTINUE THEIR
6 CASES. HE TOLD HER THAT IF SHE DID NOT PAY THAT \$4,000 EACH,
7 HE WAS GOING TO GO UP TO \$6,000 EACH. AND SO, SHE HAD TO
8 GATHER HER FAMILY AND MAKE THE DREADFUL DECISION AS TO WHAT
9 SON SHE WAS GOING TO HELP BECAUSE SHE WAS ABLE TO BORROW AND
10 GET TOGETHER ONLY \$4,000. MRS. MIRANDA DID NOT HAVE THE MONEY
11 AGAIN. AND SINCE SHE WAS ABLE TO BORROW ONLY \$4,000, SHE MADE
12 THAT DECISION. MS. MIRANDA EVENTUALLY FILED A COMPLAINT WITH
13 OUR DEPARTMENT AND OFFERED TO TESTIFY AGAINST THE IMMIGRATION
14 CONSULTANT. I WANT TO HIGHLIGHT A COUPLE OF THINGS HERE OF THE
15 SIMILARITIES OF THESE TWO COMPLAINTS. BOTH VICTIMS, LIKE MOST
16 VICTIMS OF THIS TYPE OF FRAUD, WENT TO WELL-KNOWN IMMIGRATION
17 CONSULTANTS THEY TRUSTED WHEN THEY WERE DESPERATE FOR
18 IMMIGRATION LEGAL ADVICE, NOT JUST TO COMPLETE SOME FORMS.
19 BOTH CONSULTANTS WERE REGISTERED. THEY REPRESENTED THEMSELVES
20 AS INDIVIDUALS CONCERNED WITH HELPING THE IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY
21 AND CLAIMED TO KNOW COMPLEX IMMIGRATION LAWS. BOTH VICTIMS
22 WERE ABANDONED BY THE IMMIGRATION CONSULTANTS IN THEIR TIME OF
23 GREATER NEED. ONE CONSULTANT, AS I MENTIONED, EVEN CONVINCED
24 MRS. MARIA TO BLAME HERSELF FOR THE INCOMPETENCE AND
25 NEGLIGENCE OF THE CONSULTANT. BOTH VICTIMS PAID THOUSANDS OF

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1 DOLLARS EACH FOR SERVICES AND ACTIONS THAT SEVERELY HARMED
2 THEIR CASES. BOTH VICTIMS WERE BRAVE ENOUGH TO FILE COMPLAINTS
3 WITH OUR DEPARTMENT WHICH CONTRIBUTED TO THE INVESTIGATION AND
4 PROSECUTION OF THE INDIVIDUALS WHO HARMED THEM. THE CONSULTANT
5 WHO DEFRAUDED MS. MARIA, GLORIA SALCEDO OF LA HERMAN DAL
6 MEXICANA TRANSNATIONALE PLED NO CONTEST TO 5 MISDEMEANOR
7 COUNTS AFTER THE LOS ANGELES CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE PROSECUTED
8 HER. AND THE IMMIGRATION CONSULTANT WHO DEFRAUDED MRS. IMELDA
9 MIRANDA WAS WALDO CABRERA, OWNER AND OPERATOR OF COALIZIONE
10 LATINO AMERICANA INTERNATIONALE, WAS CONVICTED OF MULTIPLE
11 FELONY COUNTS. HE WAS SENTENCED TO 5 YEARS IN STATE PRISON
12 AFTER THE CALIFORNIA ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE CHARGED HIM
13 WITH DOZENS OF GRAND THEFT, ATTEMPTED PERJURY, CONSPIRACY, AND
14 OTHER CRIMES. IRONICALLY, MR. CABRERA IS HIMSELF UNDOCUMENTED,
15 EVEN THOUGH HE PORTRAYED HIMSELF FOR DECADES AS AN ATTORNEY,
16 IMMIGRATION EXPERT, AND COMMUNITY ADVOCATE. BOTH STORIES
17 DEMONSTRATE THE NEED FOR STRONGER REGULATIONS TO PROTECT MANY
18 PEOPLE LIKE MS. MARIA AND MRS. MIRANDA FROM THE HARMFUL
19 CONSEQUENCES THAT THE ACTIONS OF IMMIGRATION CONSULTANTS
20 CAUSE.

21
22 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WOULD YOU CALL MEMBERS
23 OF THE PUBLIC TO SPEAK.

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1 **LORAYNE LINGAT, A.E.O.:** WOULD THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE
2 COME FORWARD. IMELDA MIRANDA MARTIN, EVELYN CENDENO-NAIK, NORA
3 PHILLIPS. AND THAT WILL BE FOLLOWED BY LYDIA PONCE, DR.
4 GENEVIEVE CLAVRUEL, HERMAN HERMAN, ANTONIO RAMIREZ, RED CHIEF
5 HUNT, YVONNE AUTRY, GEROGE BUZZETTI, AND VICTOR TRUJILLO.
6 PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU.

7

8 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, WELCOME, GO AHEAD.

9

10 **IMELDA MIRANDA:** MY NAME IS IMELDA MIRANDA. AND I'M HERE TO
11 DECLARE WHAT THE GENTLEMAN OSWALDO -- CABRERA DID TO US. HE
12 DEFRAUDED US FOR LARGE AMOUNTS OF MONEY. I SUBMITTED
13 IMMIGRATION PAPERS FOR TWO OF MY SONS. AND I GAVE HIM \$3,000.
14 ONLY SHORTLY THEREAFTER, HE REQUESTED AN ADDITIONAL \$4,000 IF
15 I WANTED TO CONTINUE THE PROCESS. WHERE WAS I GOING TO OBTAIN
16 THE \$4,000? UNFORTUNATELY, I TOLD HIM I WOULD ONLY SUBMIT
17 PAPERS FOR ONE OF MY SONS. SHORTLY THEREAFTER, I FOUND OUT
18 THAT HE WAS BEING INCARCERATED FOR DEFRAUDING SEVERAL OTHER
19 PEOPLE. WE WERE SADDENED AND DISTRAUGHT BECAUSE OF HIS
20 ACTIONS. UNFORTUNATELY, NOW I CANNOT CONTINUE THE IMMIGRATION
21 PROCESS FOR MY SONS BECAUSE I DO NOT HAVE SUFFICIENT FUNDING.
22 UNFORTUNATELY, MY SONS ARE VERY SAD AND DISTRAUGHT BECAUSE OF
23 WHAT'S HAPPENED TO US. THANKFULLY, WITH THE HELP OF THE
24 GENTLEMEN HERE, WE ARE ABLE TO RECUPERATE SOME OF THE MONEY
25 THAT WE HAVE GIVEN. AND I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO THANK THE PEOPLE

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1 WHO ARE CONTINUING TO HELP US REGARDING THE IMMIGRATION PAPERS
2 FOR MY FAMILY. THAT WILL BE ALL, THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** GRACIAS, NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. NEXT SPEAKER,
5 GO AHEAD.

6

7 **NORA PHILLIPS:** HI, HELLO. MY NAME IS NORA PHILLIPS. I'M THE
8 LEGAL DIRECTOR OF AL OTRO LADO, WHICH IS A FREE NON-PROFIT
9 IMMIGRATION SERVICES PROVIDER IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I HAVE
10 BEEN AN IMMIGRATION ATTORNEY FOR ABOUT 12 YEARS AND WANTED TO
11 COME OUT VERY MUCH IN FAVOR OF SUPERVISOR SOLIS'S MOTION.
12 THIS IS ABSOLUTELY ESSENTIAL. OVER THE COURSE OF PRACTICING
13 FOR ABOUT 12 YEARS, I HAVE BECOME SORT OF A TRAUMA SURGEON,
14 WHEN PEOPLE WHO'VE GONE TO NOTARIOS OR HORRIBLE UNSCRUPULOUS
15 IMMIGRATION ATTORNEYS, THEY'VE GONE THROUGH THAT. AND THEN
16 THEY COME TO ME. THEY ARE EMOTIONALLY DESTROYED, FINANCIALLY
17 DEPLETED. A LOT OF TIMES PEOPLE END UP BASICALLY BUYING THEIR
18 OWN DEPORTATION ORDERS. I NOT ONLY SEE THESE PEOPLE IN MY
19 OFFICE IN LOS ANGELES THAT THEY ARE FORTUNATE ENOUGH TO BE
20 NON-DETAINED, I SEE THEM IN DETENTION. I SEE THEM AFTER THEY
21 HAVE BEEN DEPORTED ALREADY. SO SOME OF THESE INDIVIDUALS THAT
22 RIGO REYES WAS SPEAKING OF BEFORE, AS A RESULT OF THEIR WORK,
23 I NOW HAVE CLIENTS IN TIJUANA WHO HAVE BEEN DEPORTED WHO HAVE
24 ABSOLUTELY NO CHANCE OF COMING BACK. THIS IS AN ISSUE THAT ME
25 AND MY COLLEAGUES FEEL EXTREMELY PASSIONATE ABOUT. IT IS LIKE

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1 AN EXISTENTIAL DRIVE BY WHAT THIS DOES TO THESE FAMILIES. THEY
2 SPEND THEIR ENTIRE LIFE SAVINGS. THEY ARE TERRIFIED. THEY HAVE
3 EVEN LESS TRUST IN THE PROCESS THAN THEY ALREADY DID. AND IT
4 ABSOLUTELY RUINS LIVES. THE TYPE SCAM THAT MR. REYES WAS
5 TALKING ABOUT BEFORE IS SOMETHING THAT HAPPENS EVERY SINGLE
6 DAY IN HUNDREDS OF OFFICES WHERE AN INDIVIDUAL IS PROMISED A
7 WORK PERMIT. IT SOUNDS TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE. YOU APPLY FOR IT.
8 WHAT YOU DON'T KNOW IS YOU'RE APPLYING FOR AN ASYLUM
9 APPLICATION. AND THEN THEY DON'T INFORM YOU. YOU DON'T GO TO
10 THE INTERVIEW IN ANAHEIM. YOU DON'T GO TO COURT. AND THEN YOU
11 JUST GOT YOURSELF A REMOVAL ORDER THAT COULD BE EXECUTED AT
12 ANY TIME. SO, I CANNOT-- THEN THE EXTORTION THAT FOLLOWS. I
13 NEED X NUMBER OF DOLLARS TO TRY FIX YOUR CASE, THE PROBLEM
14 THAT I CAUSED. THIS IS SOMETHING THAT ABSOLUTELY NEEDS TO BE
15 DEALT WITH ON A STATEWIDE LEVELL. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH,
16 SUPERVISOR.

17

18 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, THANK YOU FOR YOUR WORK. NEXT
19 SPEAKER, PLEASE.

20

21 **EVELYN CEDENO-NAIK:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS EVELYN CEDENO-
22 NAIK. I'M A PROGRAM MANAGER AT ESPERANZA IMMIGRANT RIGHTS
23 PROJECT, A PROGRAM OF CATHOLIC CHARITIES, LOS ANGELES. WE
24 WOULD LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR PUTTING FORTH THIS
25 MOTION, WHICH TAKES A REAL COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH AT THIS

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1 ISSUE. AND I ASK THE BOARD TO APPROVE IT. THROUGH OUR WORK, WE
2 HAVE HELPED MANY WHO HAVE LOST THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS TO
3 NOTARIOS WHO HAVE KNOWINGLY FILED APPLICATIONS THAT THE
4 IMMIGRANTS DID NOT QUALIFY FOR OR SIMPLY NEVER SENT ANYTHING
5 AT ALL BUT STILL CHARGE THE CLIENTS. WE HAVE SEEN COUNTLESS
6 IMMIGRANTS THAT ARE NOW IN REMOVAL PROCEEDINGS AND HAVE FEW
7 OPTIONS TO DEFEND THEMSELVES AGAINST DEPORTATION ALL BECAUSE A
8 NOTARIO FILED SOMETHING ON THEIR BEHALF. THIS IS PARTICULARLY
9 HARD TO WITNESS BECAUSE MANY WHO HAVE LIVED HERE FOR DECADES
10 ESTABLISH FAMILIES MADE OF UP U.S. CITIZENS, CHILDREN AND
11 GRANDCHILDREN, AND HAVE CONTRIBUTED GREATLY TO THEIR
12 COMMUNITIES. ONE WOULD THINK THAT AFTER PLACING IMMIGRANTS IN
13 REMOVAL PROCEEDINGS THAT THE EXPLOITATION WOULD STOP. BUT
14 INSTEAD, NOTARIOS HAVE GROWN VERY BOLD UNDER THE CURRENT ANTI-
15 IMMIGRANT CLIMATE. NOTARIOS ARE NOW GOING AFTER IMMIGRANTS WHO
16 ARE DESPERATELY LOOKING FOR ATTORNEYS TO REPRESENT THEM IN
17 IMMIGRATION COURT HEARINGS. THEY PROMISE TO ATTEND HEARINGS,
18 TAKE THE PERSON'S MONEY, THEN NEVER SHOW UP BECAUSE THEY KNOW
19 THEY CANNOT LAWFULLY REPRESENT ANYONE IN IMMIGRATION COURT. WE
20 EVEN HEARD STORIES OF NOTARIOS ROAMING THE HALLS OF
21 IMMIGRATION COURT HERE IN LOS ANGELES, PREYING ON THIS
22 VULNERABLE POPULATION. SADLY, THERE ARE COUNTLESS MORE STORIES
23 LIKE THIS. THE IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY NEEDS MORE INFORMATION
24 ABOUT HOW TO AVOID FALLING VICTIM TO THESE UNLAWFUL PRACTICES.
25 AND FOR THOSE WHO ALREADY HAVE, INFORMATION ON HOW TO REPORT

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1 FRAUD AND RECEIVE COMPENSATION FOR THEIR LOSSES. BUT MOST
2 IMPORTANTLY, THE IMMIGRANT POPULATION NEEDS MORE OPTIONS FOR
3 REAL REPRESENTATION TO AVOID HAVING TO GO TO THESE NOTARIOS
4 FOR HELP. THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

7

8 **LYDIA PONCE:** LYDIA PONCE. (INAUDIBLE) IT IS AN HONOR TO BE
9 BEFORE YOU ON SUCH A GREAT NUMBER 12 PROPOSAL. THANK YOU SO
10 MUCH, MS. SOLIS. IN MY EXPERIENCE AS SIX YEARS AT VENICE HIGH
11 SCHOOL AS THE COMMUNITY PARENT REP, I HAVE TRANSLATED SIMPLE
12 SENTENCES ON MY CELL PHONE FOR MANDARIN SPEAKING OR EVEN
13 KOREAN SPEAKING INDIVIDUALS WHO WERE ACTUALLY MIGRANTS WITH
14 VISAS AND WHATNOT, BUT THEIR DEGREES OF BEING A DENTIST, OR
15 EVEN LAWYERS, DID NOT TRANSLATE WELL WITHIN THE UNITED STATES
16 EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES. THEY HAD TO GO TO SCHOOL AGAIN. SO
17 IT WAS A REAL TRYING AND DIFFICULT SITUATION, BUT I WAS ALWAYS
18 THERE TO SUPPORT. MY POINT IN SUPPORTING THIS IS TO ACTUALLY
19 ASK AN AMENDMENT TO IMPROVE THE TRANSLATION ABILITY. YOU HAVE
20 TO COMMUNICATE THAT THIS FRAUD, SERVICES, AND INFORMATION, AND
21 SUPPORT IS AVAILABLE, BUSES, AND THE PUBLIC SPACES, PARKS, ALL
22 OF THIS. HOWEVER, WHEN I TRIED TO USE YOUR TRANSLATION BUTTON
23 HERE, IT WAS TWO DIFFERENT SITUATIONS WITH MY FRIEND
24 SUPPORTING ME, WE WERE BOTH TRYING TO GET THROUGH IT. AND I AM
25 PRETTY ABLED AND PRETTY SAVVY ON MY OWN CELL PHONE. BUT I

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1 WOULD ASK THAT YOU TAKE A LOOK AT IT AND MAKE IT MORE IN THE
2 FOREFRONT ON THE FIRST PAGE, AT THE BOTTOM, TRANSLATABLE
3 TOGGLE BECAUSE THERE IS NO WAY ANYONE IS GOING TO FIND IT
4 UNLESS THEY REALLY ARE DILIGENT LIKE MYSELF. I AM GOING TO SAY
5 THANK YOU, AND YES, CLIMATE CHANGE HAPPENS IN ALL LANGUAGES.
6 IT DOESN'T JUST HAPPEN IN ENGLISH AND SO DOES IMMIGRATION
7 ISSUES. WE NEED TO MAKE SURE THAT WE CAN COMMUNICATE SUPPORT
8 AND HUMANITARIAN LOVE. THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

11

12 **ANTONIA RAMIREZ:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I'D WOULD LIKE TO SAY
13 AGAIN, BRAVO TO TRUMP, BUILD THE WALL. AND ALSO, DON'T BELIEVE
14 WHAT THESE -- MOST ATTORNEYS ARE CROOKS, CONNIVING, SLITHERING
15 SNAKES. THEY WILL PORTRAY THESE ILLEGAL IMMIGRANT [EXPLETIVE]
16 AND GANG BANGERS AS INNOCENT VICTIMS, THAT THEY ARE
17 VULNERABLE, NOT TRUE. I'M THE IMMIGRANT WHO CAME HERE BY THE
18 RULE OF LAW WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE.
19 THESE SO CALLED A IMMIGRANTS ARE NOTHING MORE THAN (SPEAKING
20 SPANISH). AND HILDA KNOWS IT. THEY ROBBED ME OF EVERYTHING I
21 HAD. I LOST MY HOME IN EAST L.A. I LOST MY MONEY. I LOST
22 EVERYTHING, WHY? BECAUSE HERE, LIKE A DUMB ASS, I'M HELPING
23 THEM. AND THEY COME OVER. NEVER TRUST THESE ILLEGAL
24 [EXPLETIVE] AND GANG BANGERS. I WAS STUPID. AND BEFORE FATHER
25 DIED TOLD ME DON'T HELP THEM. BE CAREFUL. STUPID ME SAID NO,

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1 POOR POOR POOR. AND GUESS WHAT? I LOST IT ALL FOR BEING A DUMB
2 ASS. LET ME TELL YOU SOMETHING, MOST, IF NOT ALL, ARE WELL-
3 CONNECTED WITH THE GANGS. I AM NOT. THEY ARE WELL-CONNECT
4 WOULD THE CRIMINAL ORGANIZATION. I'M NOT. SHE KNOWS IT. SOLIS
5 AND LIKE ALL THE LATINOS AND LATINAS KNOW THAT. I AM NOT A
6 GANG BANGER. AND I DON'T TIE AND HOMEY UP WITH ANYBODY
7 CRIMINAL. I DON'T TAKE SHORTCUTS, WHICH IS WHAT MY DAD TAUGHT
8 ME. NEVER TAKE A SHORTCUT. I NEVER DID. I LOST EVERYTHING. I
9 LIVE ON THE STREETS TODAY. I AM THE IMMIGRANT, NOT A
10 [EXPLETIVE]. AND YET I GET NOTHING, NO RESOURCES. I AM, AND I
11 DON'T BUDDY WITH THESE [EXPLETIVE] AND GANG BANGERS BECAUSE
12 THEY ARE GANG STALKERS. THEY HARASS YOU OUT OF YOUR HOME. THEY
13 ROB YOU OF YOUR I.D. THEY ROB YOU OF EVERYTHING. DON'T BE
14 STUPID. THEY ARE NOT VULNERABLE. THEY ARE VERY WELL-CONNECTED.
15 THEY ARE LIZARDS, SLITHERING SNAKES. THEY ARE CRIMINALS.
16 THAT'S WHY MEXICO WANTS THEM OUT OF THERE BECAUSE THEY DON'T
17 TRUST THEM EITHER. THEY ARE VIOLENT. THEY ARE CRIMINALS. AND
18 THEY ARE THIEVES, THIEVES, THIEVES. THAT'S WHAT THEY ARE. HERE
19 I'M NOT A THIEF. I WOULDN'T DARE. BAD KARMA. IT'S COMING BACK
20 TO BITE YOU. GOD BLESS DONALD TRUMP.

21

22 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. GO AHEAD, NEXT
23 SPEAKER.

24

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1 **SPEAKER:** YES, WHAT I HAVE TO SAY IS THAT I DO, IN MANY WAYS,
2 SUPPORT WHAT ANTONIA SAID. I'M NOT A RACIST. BUT I'VE SUFFERED
3 ILLEGAL ENTRIES TO MY UNIT DAMAGING THE CORE TO MY COMPUTER,
4 VERY NICE COMPUTER, PRINTERS, KEYBOARDS, PRINTER COMPUTER THAT
5 MY FATHER GIVE ME, MACINTOSH. ANYTHING NICE THAT I HAD, THEY
6 COME AND THEY DESTROY IT. I SPEAK GOOD AND WRITE SPANISH.
7 THEY'RE LIKE -- SO, ANY OF YOU THAT UNDERSTAND SPANISH BECAUSE
8 I'M A BLACK WOMAN THAT LIVES ALONE. AND MANY OF THEM, THE
9 MAJORITY OF THEM THAT ARE WORKING IN SECURITY, MAINTENANCE,
10 THAT HAVE ACCESS TO OUR APARTMENTS, MANY OF THEM ARE LOW LEVEL
11 MAFIOSO SERIAL KILLERS, SERIAL RAPISTS, PIMPS, HUMAN SEX
12 TRAFFICKERS, PEDOPHILES. OKAY, AND THEY ARE MURDERERS. THEY
13 MURDER THEIR OWN WOMEN. AND THEY SAY NO, -- IN OTHER WORDS,
14 DON'T SAY ANYTHING BECAUSE THEY ARE INSTILLING THIS FEAR
15 BECAUSE THEY ARE USUALLY MAFIOSO. EVEN FOR THE EL SALVADOR AND
16 -- OKAY, MURDERING MANY WOMEN. SO, YOU ALL DON'T LIVE WHERE WE
17 LIVE WHERE THEY HAVE THEIR STANDARD. THEY'RE BRINGING THEIR
18 SEX GODS. THEY HAVE RITUAL LIKE VAMPIRES, CANNIBALS. THEY WANT
19 MY BLOOD FOR MEDICATION, ORGANS THAT THEY SELL, EATING WOMEN'S
20 UTERUS FOR ENERGY. IT IS LIKE AN EVIL, HORRIBLE, CANNIBALISM.
21 THEIR CULTURE IS COMPLETELY BARBARIC. AND YOU DON'T LIVE --
22 I'M NOT A RACIST, BUT I CAN HEAR WHAT THEY ARE SAYING AND
23 DISMEMBERING MY BODY -- BUT THEY THEY SAY BECAUSE I HAVE A
24 FAMILY, THEY CANNOT MURDER ME. THESE ARE THE CHIEF SLAVE
25 LABORERS FOR THE BUSINESSMEN AND THE REAL ESTATE DEVELOPERS.

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1 THIS IS RIDICULOUS. BLACK PEOPLE BUILT THIS COUNTRY. THE FRAUD
2 IS THAT WE NEVER GOT 40 ACRES, A MULE. WE NEVER GOT ANY
3 REPARATIONS. THAT'S THE FRAUD. AND THE MAJORITY OF PEOPLE ON
4 SKID ROW ARE BLACK. I WANT MY 40 ACRES AND A MULE. [APPLAUSE].

5

6 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. CHIEF.

7

8 **RED CHIEF HUNT:** GOOD AFTERNOON, THE RED CHIEF HUNT AGAIN. I
9 GUESS IT HAS BEEN SINCE 2004 SINCE I HAVE BEEN DOWN HERE. AND
10 I HEARD A LOT. AND GOOD THING I DON'T TAKE THINGS PERSONAL. I
11 HAVE LEARNED A LOT. NO WALLS, AND NO FRAUD. THOSE TWO ARE
12 SYNONYMOUS, NO WALLS AND NO FRAUD. IF YOU PAY YOUR MONEY, THEN
13 YOU SHOULD GET YOUR MONEY'S WORTH. SO I'M GOING TO STICK WITH
14 YOU GUYS. IT'S GOOD BILL. AND REMEMBER JANICE, 2004 SINCE
15 WE'VE BEEN DOWN HERE. NO WALLS AND NO FRAUD SAID THE RED CHIEF
16 HUNT.

17

18 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

19

20 **VICTOR TRUJILLO:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MY NAME IS VICTOR TRUJILLO.
21 THIS IS INTERESTING. MY UNCLE WAS AN IMMIGRANT. HE CHANGED HIS
22 PAPERWORK WHEN HE STOLE THIS PROPERTY. IT WAS I FOUND OUT AN
23 ACCOUNTANT NEXT DOOR TO THE PROPERTY WAS INFORMING OTHER
24 PEOPLE IN MEXICO, ALL OF THE LAWYERS OVER THERE DEALING WITH
25 OUR LAWYERS. AND THEY STOLE THE PROPERTY. SO WHERE --

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1 ACTUALLY, HE LOST HIS PROPERTY. AND NOW WE ARE SITTING IN THE
2 SAME RIDICULOUS SITUATION. LAWYERS, WE LOOKING AT THE
3 IMMIGRATION. WE SHOULD LOOK AT THE LAWYERS, THE PEOPLE FILLING
4 OUT THE PAPERWORK. WE ARE GOING AFTER SOMETHING SMALL. THE
5 LAWYERS HOLD THE BIG KEY TO THIS THING. I FOUND HUNDREDS OF
6 LAWYERS CONNECTED TO CARTELS IN MEXICO, THOUSANDS ACROSS THE
7 COUNTRY. THIS IS NO JOKE. THAT'S WHY WE'RE RUNNING INTO THESE
8 RIDDLES. WE ARE FALLING APART. WE'RE JUST WAITING FOR THE LAST
9 MOMENT. WE ARE GOING TO PUT A WALL. THAT'S NOT GOING TO
10 HAPPEN. THERE'S NOTHING GOING TO HAPPEN. THE ONLY THING WE ARE
11 GOING THROUGH RIGHT NOW IS A BUNCH OF PEOPLE SHUTTING UP,
12 LISTENING TO YOUR [EXPLETIVE] LIKE YOU GUYS DO. THAT'S WHAT
13 YOUR JOB IS TO LISTEN TO THIS [EXPLETIVE]. BUT THE FACT IS, WE
14 ARE TALKING ABOUT IMMIGRATION. IMMIGRATION SHOULD BE DEALT
15 WITH MEXICO AND ACTUALLY GO AGAINST THE ATTORNEYS BECAUSE THE
16 ATTORNEYS IN CALIFORNIA, THEY DO NOT GO TO JAIL. I HAVE
17 ATTORNEYS RIGHT NOW THAT ROBBED ME, STOLE MY PROPERTY -- THEY
18 DIDN'T DO NOTHING. I CANNOT GET THEM. I SAT WITH -- I SENT TO
19 THE GOVERNOR, I WENT TO THE ATTORNEY, KAMALA HARRIS, WHEN I
20 WAS ALL [EXPLETIVE] UP AND DESTROYED, I SENT HER 14 AFFIDAVITS
21 WHAT HAPPENED, DIDN'T DO [EXPLETIVE] FOR ME. SHE IS RUNNING
22 FOR PRESIDENT, GOOD LUCK BECAUSE YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE TO PASS
23 MY TESTIMONY, AND PASS THE TESTIMONY WHEN MY THREE DAUGHTERS,
24 WHEN THE OFFICER RAIDED MY HOUSE AND BEGGED ME NOT TO HAVE HIM
25 KILLED. AND IT WAS A SHERIFF, A CAPTAIN, HIS OWN PARTNER STUCK

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1 A SHOT GUN IN MY DAUGHTER'S FACE. AND THEY TRIED TO BREAK DOWN
2 THE DOOR, AND THERE WERE NO DRUGS. THERE WAS NO DRUGS NOWHERE.
3 SO THIS OF IMMIGRATION IS A GOOD TOPIC, BUT MAKE SURE YOU HIT
4 THE ATTORNEYS. THEN YOU'LL START TALKING SERIOUS BECAUSE THE
5 OTHER GOVERNORS AND ALL OVER THE WORLD, THEY DON'T KNOW WHO
6 THE [EXPLETIVE] THIS PERSON SIGNED. THEY NEED A LAWYER, GOOD
7 LUCK.

8

9 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

10

11 **GEORGE BUZZETTI:** FOR ONCE, I'M WITH YOU ON THIS. BUT I'M GOING
12 TO ASK THIS FAILED ATTORNEY HERE, MARY THE WICKED WICKHAM. DO
13 YOU LIKE THAT? YEAH. MARY THE WICKED WICKHAM, YOU SEE, MARY
14 THE WICKED WICKHAM, YOU WON'T ENFORCE THE LAW, SO WHY DON'T
15 YOU HELP THESE PEOPLE BY KICKING SOME OF YOUR 800 CROOKED ASS
16 LAWYERS WHO FALSLEY CHARGE PEOPLE LIKE YOU'VE BEEN DOING WITH
17 ME, FOOL. THAT'S WHY YOU ARE GOING TO LOSE YOUR FRIGGING
18 LICENSE, FOOL. AND YOU, RIDLEY-THOMAS --

19

20 **COUNTY COUNSEL:** SIR, PLEASE STAY ON TOPIC. YOU'RE COMPLETELY
21 OFF TOPIC.

22

23 **GEORGE BUZZETTI:** SHUT UP.

24

25 **COUNTY COUNSEL:** NO, SIR.

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1

2 **GEORGE BUZZETTI:** SHUT UP. I'M ON THE TOPIC.

3

4 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** YOU'RE NOT -- YOU HAVE TO STAY ON TOPIC. YOU
5 HAVE TO --

6

7 **GEORGE BUZZETTI:** YOU'RE GOING TO GIVE ME THE REST OF MY TIME
8 WHILE YOU EAT UP MY DAMN TIME.

9

10 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** JUST STAY ON THE TOPIC. THIS IS YOUR FIRST
11 WARNING.

12

13 **GEORGE BUZZETTI:** YOU'RE INTERRUPTING THE MEETING.

14

15 **SUP. HAHN, CHARI:** I'M GOING TO GIVE YOU BACK A FEW SECONDS.
16 GIVE HIM BACK A FEW.

17

18 **GEORGE BUZZETTI:** THIRTY.

19

20 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** NOT THIRTY.

21

22 **GEORGE BUZZETTI:** YOU'VE BEEN EATING UP ALL OF MY TIME TALKING,
23 YOU HAVE NO RIGHT TO INTERRUPT THE SPEAKER. YOU HAVE NO RIGHT.
24 IT IS TIME MARY THE WICKED WICKAM PUT SOME OF HER STUPID

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1 ATTORNEYS ONTO STOPPING THE FRAUD. BE QUIET BECAUSE YOU ARE IN
2 TROUBLE, TOO.

3

4 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** GEORGE, STAY ON TOPIC. OKAY, YOU ARE RUNNING
5 OUT YOUR TIME.

6

7 **GEORGE BUZZETTI:** YOU BROKE FEDERAL LAW, BUD. AND YOU, AND THE
8 REST OF YOU, ARE GOING TO THE FEDS.

9

10 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

11

12 **GEORGE BUZZETTI:** I HAVE HAD ENOUGH OF YOUR CRAP. YOU ARE THE
13 CRIMINAL FOOLS.

14

15 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** GO AHEAD. WE'RE STARTING YOUR TIME.

16

17 **HERMAN HERMAN:** THAT IS EXACTLY WHAT WE WANT TO HEAR IN TODAY'S
18 AMERICA, BUT I BELIEVE WHAT WE WANT TO HEAR IS WHO IS
19 SUPPORTING TRUMP? WHO IS BRINGING TREASON TO THIS COUNTRY BY
20 SPEAKING AGAINST THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE UNITED STATES THAT
21 WE ALL VOTED ON? BECAUSE I FIND NO FAULT WHATSOEVER THAN YOUR
22 OWN THAT WE HAVE TO BUILD A WALL WHEN THE DEMOCRATS CONTINUE
23 TO STEAL OUR MONEY, FOOLS, AND PAY OUTSIDE COUNSEL, FOOLS, TO
24 TAKE OUR MONEY.

25

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1 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** MAKE SURE YOU STAY ON TOPIC.

2

3 **HERMAN HERMAN:** I'M ON TOPIC. WE ARE TALKING ABOUT IMMIGRATION.

4 WE'RE SPONSORING MONEY TO HELP THOSE HERE WHO WANT TO ENTER

5 ILLEGALLY INSTEAD OF ALLOWING THEM TO GO THROUGH THE PROCESS,

6 THE SAME DUE PROCESS I WENT THROUGH IN 2012, GOING TO FIVE

7 [EXPLETIVE] STUPID COURTHOUSES TO DEAL WITH MY ISSUE, AGAINST

8 THAT [EXPLETIVE] JOSE HUIZAR, WHO FALSELY --

9

10 **COUNTY COUNSEL:** SIR.

11

12 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** YOU ARE NOT ON TOPIC. STAY ON TOPIC. STAY

13 ON TOPIC.

14

15 **HERMAN HERMAN:** ACCORDING TO U.S.C. 1983 AND MY 14TH AMMENDMENT

16 TO EXERCISE, I AM SEEKING RELIEF FROM THE DEPORTATION OF

17 ELECTED OFFICIALS WHO DEPORT ME TO JAILS BECAUSE THEY SIMPLY

18 WANT TO PUT ME IN ONE [EXPLETIVE] BED, IN ONE COT IN A JAIL.

19 SO, I'M NOT OFF TOPIC.

20

21 **COUNTY COUNSEL:** SIR, YOU'RE TELLING US ABOUT YOUR OWN PERSONAL

22 LIFE STORY, NOT ABOUT ITEM 12.

23

24 **HERMAN HERMAN:** LET'S TALK ABOUT WHAT HE DID TO TAKE AMERICANS

25 AND VETERANS OUT OF THEIR HOMES.

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1

2 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY, THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. TRY
3 TO STAY ON TOPIC, DR. CLAVRUEL.

4

5 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVRUEL:** I ALWAYS DO. GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF
6 SUPERVISORS, DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVRUEL. YOU KNOW, WE NEED TO
7 SUPPORT A LOT OF FREE PROGRAMS, WHILE EXCELLENT, WILL WORK FOR
8 PEOPLE WHO WANT TO APPLY FOR CITIZENSHIP. AND ACTUALLY,
9 MYSELF, IS WHAT I USED. I WENT TO ONE OF THOSE FREE, YOU KNOW,
10 DAY WHERE YOU CAN HAVE PEOPLE HELP YOU TO FIX THOSE DOCUMENTS
11 AND SO ON. AND YOU NOT SPEND ONE PENNY. BUT IS SOMETHING THAT
12 WE NEED TO CHANGE. LIKE AN EXAMPLE, WHEN IT TAKES SO LONG TO
13 BE ACCEPTED, YOUR FINGERPRINTS EXPIRE. SO I THINK WE SHOULD
14 FIND A WAY WHERE THOSE THINGS DON'T HAPPEN. AND YOU DON'T HAVE
15 TO REPEAT. BUT I THINK WE SHOULD OFFER SOME CIVIL SUPPORT FOR
16 PEOPLE WHO REALLY WANT TO FOLLOW THE LAW AND APPLY REGULARLY.
17 AND I THINK THOSE THINGS HAPPEN. YOU DON'T HAVE TO SPEND MONEY
18 WITH THE WRONG --

19

20 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. DO WE HAVE OTHER SPEAKERS? THAT'S
21 IT. OKAY. THOSE ARE ALL THE SPEAKERS ON THIS ITEM. WE NOW HAVE
22 ITEM 12. ITEM 12 IS BEFORE US. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS,
23 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS TO APPROVE THIS ITEM. IF
24 THERE ARE NO OBJECTIONS TO A UNANIMOUS VOTE, THAT WILL BE THE
25 ORDER. NOW IT IS APPROPRIATE TO HEAR FROM MEMBERS OF THE

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1 PUBLIC WHO HAVE REQUESTED TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON THE
2 FOLLOWING ITEMS NOT HELD BY THE SUPERVISORS. MADAM EXECUTIVE
3 OFFICER, ARE THERE THOSE WHO STILL WANT TO ADDRESS US?

4

5 **LORAYNE LINGAT, A.E.O.:** YES, MADAM CHAIR, THE FOLLOWING
6 INDIVIDUALS, PLEASE COME FORWARD WHEN YOUR NAME IS CALLED,
7 ERIC PREVEN HAS ASKED TO SPEAK ON 2D, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 21,
8 AND CS-1. HERMAN HERMAN HAS REQUESTED TO SPEAK ON 1D, 2D, 6,
9 7, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 21, AND CS-1. DR. CLAVRUEL HAS
10 REQUESTED TO SPEAK ON ITEM 2D, 13, 14, 21, AND CS-1. ANTONIO
11 RAMIREZ HAS REQUESTED TO SPEAK ON ITEMS 2D, 11, 13, AND CS-1.
12 GEORGE BUZZETTI HAS REQUESTED TO SPEAK ON ITEMS 7, 10, 15, 16.
13 RED CHIEF HUNT HAS REQUESTED TO SPEAK ON ALL REMAINING ITEMS.
14 AND T CARTER HAS REQUESTED TO SPEAK ON ITEMS 7 AND 10, AND
15 YVONNE AUTRY ON ITEMS 11 AND 16. PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF
16 WILL ASSIST YOU.

17

18 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** MR. PREVEN.

19

20 **ERIC PREVEN:** THANK YOU IT'S ERIC PREVEN FROM STUDIO CITY,
21 THIRD DISTRICT. AND OBVIOUSLY, VILLAREAL SHOULD GET SOME KIND
22 OF AN HONORARY SCROLL. AND WE APPRECIATE HIS SERVICE. THAT
23 SAID, I DON'T KNOW WHY WE LOWERED IT TO ONE MINUTE WHEN WE
24 HAVE A LARGER GROUP BECAUSE THEY ARE HAVING A TOUGH TIME
25 FINISHING THEIR THING. BUT ITEM 13, LET'S CLEAR THE AIR, IS

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1 LINK HOUSING. NOBODY LOVES EXCLUSIVE NEGOTIATING AGREEMENTS
2 MORE THAN MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS. BUT THIS IS ACTUALLY NOT-- I
3 THINK IT IS IN YOUR DISTRICT, SO I KNOW YOU LIKE TO GO TO
4 EXCLUSIVE NEGOTIATING AGREEMENTS AS WELL. AND WHAT IT MEANS
5 IS, YOU KNOW, THE PARTNERS COME TOGETHER AND DISCUSS. LINK
6 PAYS \$50,000 TO COVER THE COSTS FOR THE COUNTY TO DISCUSS IT.
7 AND THEN THEY SEE IF THEY CAN AGREE ON HOW THE 27 UNITS WILL
8 LAYOUT AND HOW IT WILL ALL WORK. AND THERE'S AN ASPECT OF 30
9 PERCENT NEAR THE BOTTOM OF THE EARNING FOR PEOPLE TO BE IN
10 SOME OF THAT HOUSING. SO WHAT IS WRONG WITH THAT? NOTHING,
11 EXCEPT FOR LINK HOUSING IS ONE OF THESE BIG ONES. THERE ARE
12 ALL OF THESE BIG ONES, L.A. FAMILY HOUSING, LINK HOUSING,
13 THERE ARE A FEW OTHERS THAT ALWAYS MANAGE TO SQUEEZE IN AND
14 GET THE JOB DONE. AND I HOPE IT IS NOT CAUSING A POWER BASE
15 THAT'S MONOLITHIC AND DOES NOT ALLOW FOR OTHER OPERATORS. BUT
16 MAYBE IT'S WORKING WELL. ITEM 14, I'D LIKE TO THANK THE C.E.O.
17 KEEP IT DOWN, SIR. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE C.E.O. FOR ALL OF
18 THE WORK WITH L.A. RICKS. AND I WOULD LIKE TO SAY NO THANK YOU
19 TO HANDING TO MOTOROLA A DEAL THAT'S GOING TO COST US A LOT OF
20 MONEY ACROSS THE COUNTY BECAUSE THE SMALL JURISDICTIONS ARE
21 GOING TO BE FORCED TO CHOKEDOWN A DEAL THAT IT WAS QUITE
22 CLEAR WAS NOT COMPETITIVELY BID. AND IT REALLY BUMS ME OUT
23 BECAUSE IT IS A SUBSTANTIAL CHA-CHING FOR A GROUP THAT LOBBIES
24 LIKE CRAZY. THEY'RE TOTALLY INAPPROPRIATE. WICKHAM DOESN'T
25 LIKE THAT STUFF. SO, SHE JUST THROWS HER HANDS UP IN THE AIR.

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1 I DON'T KNOW. I FEEL LIKE WE SHOULD DO COMPETITIVE BIDDING.
2 THIS IS L.A. COUNTY. I SAW ON THE BOARD, THEY HAVE AMERICAN
3 GOLF CORPORATION IS SUING US. I DIDN'T HEAR ABOUT THAT UNTIL
4 TODAY. BUT I'LL LOOK INTO THAT, REPORT BACK. I KNOW NOBODY
5 LIKES LAWSUITS AGAINST THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES MORE THAN
6 WICKHAM. TO TALK ABOUT THE PILOT PROGRAM FOR THE ELECTIONS, I
7 WANTED TO THANK DEAN LOGAN FOR REALLY TAKING A LOOK AT DOING A
8 BETTER JOB. IT IS IMPRESSIVE, THE WAY THE COUNTY SCREWED UP
9 ENDLESSLY. BUT THEN HE REALLY COMES TO THE FRONT AND TRIES TO
10 MAKE A BETTER DEAL, MAKE IT WORK BETTER. AND I APPRECIATE IT.
11 NOW AT THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, THERE ARE OTHER JURISDICTIONS,
12 THEY ARE A LITTLE LESS RESPONSIVE TO IMPROVING THINGS. WE ARE
13 HOPING TOGETHER THAT HOLLY WALCOTT AND DEAN LOGAN AND THE
14 POWERS THAT BE THAT RUN THESE ELECTIONS ARE GOING TO ABLE TO
15 WORK TOGETHER. AND WE HAVE REACHED OUT, QUITE FRANKLY, TO SEE
16 ABOUT A PILOT PROGRAM IN OUR LITTLE NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL,
17 ACTUALLY BECAUSE WE DID A GREAT JOB OF CLEANING UP THE MESS.
18 AND WE ARE READY TO ROLL. AND THERE SEEMS TO BE A LITTLE
19 STALLING. SO WE'VE HAVE REACHED OUT. AND I SAW DANA GARCETTI.
20 MAYBE SHE COULD ASK HER BROTHER OR SOMEBODY TO WEIGH IN AND
21 GIVE US A LITTLE BIT OF ENTHUSIASM BECAUSE IF YOU ARE DOING
22 SOMETHING RIGHT, YOU SHOULD BE ENCOURAGED. AND WE ARE JUST
23 TRYING TO MAKE IT BETTER FOR OUR CONSTITUENTS. WITH THAT, I
24 SAY THANK YOU FOR THE MENTAL HEALTH WORK.

25

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1 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I LOVE OUR NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS.

2 NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

3

4 **HERMAN HERMAN:** SO, YOU SEE, EVERYTHING IN THE BUDGET IS HERE
5 IN MY HAND. THE WAY THIS COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISOR WORKS IN
6 DECISIONS BY A LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL TO APPROVE WHAT WE DECIDE
7 IS APPROPRIATE, OR WHAT WE FIND INAPPROPRIATE SO I'M HERE TO
8 DISCUSS ALL THE ITEMS THAT I SIGNED UP ON, IN PARTICULAR, HOW
9 THE BUDGET FACTORS A PATTERN AND PRACTICE TO DISCRIMINATE. AND
10 I SAY THAT WELL BECAUSE, AS YOU HEAR PUBLIC TESTIMONY, WE'RE
11 ALL ON DIFFERENT AVENUES BUT DIRECTED TO ONE STREET. AND WHY
12 NO LONGER WANT TO BE A PART OF A DEAD END BECAUSE I'M HERE TO
13 SUPPORT GEORGE BUZZETTI BECAUSE HIS POINTS ON 42 U.S.C. 1983
14 AND THE 14TH AMENDMENT REFLECT WHY WE'RE HERE.

15

16 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

17

18 **GEORGE BUZZETTI:** OKAY, I'LL GO.

19

20 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** YOU'VE BEEN HERE. WHY DONT YOU' GO.

21

22 **GEORGE BUZZETTI:** YEAH, YOU WERE HERE FIRST.

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24 **SPEAKER:** BEFORE I BEGIN, I DON'T WANT TO INTERRUPT MR. THOMAS.

25 I CAN WAIT UNTIL HE FINISHES, SO --

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2 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** NO, GO AHEAD. WE ARE STARTING YOUR TIME.

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4 **SPEAKER:** I'M SORRY. WHAT DID YOU SAY?

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6 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** GO AHEAD, WE ARE STARTING YOUR TIME.

7

8 **SPEAKER:** IS THE TIME STARTING NOW?

9

10 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** UH-HUH.

11

12 **SPEAKER:** YOU ARE MY REPRESENTATIVE. I HAVE CONTACTED YOUR

13 OFFICE. I HAVE ASKED FOR AN APPOINTMENT MEETING WITH YOU

14 BECAUSE ADDRESSING THIS MATTER HERE, IT IS VERY DETAILED. I

15 HAVE BEEN IGNORED. YOUR CHIEF OF STAFF, HE'S A VERY, VERY NICE

16 PERSON, NICK. HE ASSISTED ME. HE'S PUT ME IN CONTACT WITH SOME

17 DIVISION, BUT IT IS BIGGER THAN NICK. SO HE CAN ONLY DO SO

18 MUCH. I HAVE ASKED FOR YOUR ASSISTANCE. AND I HAVE NOT BEEN IN

19 CONTACT WITH YOUR CHIEF OF STAFF. I SAW SOME THINGS ON THE

20 AGENDA REGARDING PUTTING MORE MONEY TO LOOK FOR SOME PEOPLE

21 THAT WERE MURDERED. AND I FIND THAT THAT IS A GOOD THING, BUT

22 WHEN I HAD A SITUATION WHERE 2012, THE SAME YEAR THIS PERSON

23 WAS MURDERED, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IGNORED ME. LIEUTENANT

24 DELMEESE HAD AGENTS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS TO COME

25 BEAT ME UP IN FEBRUARY 27, 2012. THEY ASSAULTED ME, DRAGGED

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1 ME OUT OF A HOME, MY UNCLE'S APARTMENT, 2012, ASSAULTED ME,
2 TOOK ME TO WEST HOLLYWOOD JAIL IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT
3 WHERE LIEUTENANT DELMEESE WAS THAT NIGHT. AND FAST FORWARD,
4 AFTER I GET OUT OF JAIL, I WAS TOLD IF I TALKED ABOUT IT, THEY
5 ARE GOING TO HARM ME. 2013, WHEN I GOT OUT OF JAIL, THEY
6 CHARGED ME WITH ANNOYING TELEPHONE CALLS BECAUSE I WAS TRYING
7 TO REPORT ACTION THAT LIEUTENANT DELMEESE WAS DOING. SO HE
8 SILENCED ME BY SENDING JASON MARKS, C.D.C. OFFICER, RENEE
9 RAMOS, C.D.C. OFFICER, AND JOHN CASTENDA, WHOSE ALL BEEN
10 WRITTEN UP IN THE L.A. TIMES NEWSPAPER TO COME AND ASSAULT ME
11 AS IF I'M A RUNAWAY SLAVE. SO AFTER BEING TAKEN INTO CUSTODY,
12 I GOT OUT ON ANNOYING TELEPHONE CALLS, WHICH I NEVER ANNOYED
13 ANYONE. AND I WAS FILING A COMPLAINT. 2014, THE SAME AGENTS
14 STOPPED ME IN THE CITY OF LONG BEACH, JUMPED OUT, PUT GUNS TO
15 MY FACE. LONG BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT SAID THAT THEY STOPPED
16 ME BECAUSE I THEY PROVIDED MY G.P.S. LOCATION. AND I INFORMED
17 LONG BEACH, I AM NO TON PAROLE. WHY ARE THEY STOPPING ME?
18 2015, I WAS STOPPED IN THE CITY OF INGLEWOOD, SENT OVER BY
19 LIEUTENANT DELMEESE. HE SENT THESE SAME AGENTS. THEY TOLD ME
20 IF CONTINUE TO ASK FOR THEIR NAMES, MORE THINGS WILL HAPPEN TO
21 ME. FAST FOWARD, I GO FOR HOUSING 2018, THIS YEAR, THEY TELL
22 ME THERE'S A WARRANT FOR MY ARREST BECAUSE OF SHERIFF DEPUTY
23 ALLISON MELENDEZ WHO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PAID OUT A
24 MILLION DOLLARS AGAINST HER KILLING A DISABLE HISPANIC LADY.
25 SHE PUT THAT I HARASSED HER AND I ASSAULTED HER. THE JUDGE HAS

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1 NOW REMOVED THE WARRANT, DISMISSED THIS CASE IN ITS ENTIRETY.
2 SO, I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW WHEN ARE YOU GOING TO PUT THINGS IN
3 RELATION TO MY MATTER AND FINDING MORE EVIDENCE AGAINST MY
4 MATTER, WHICH I HAVE ALL THE NAMES. AND IT WILL NOT COST THE
5 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO LOOK INTO MY MATTER BECAUSE I HAVE ALL
6 THE NAMES. AND THERE STILL EMPLOYED GETTING PAID. ALLISON
7 MELENDEZ HAS TWO MURDERS. AND SHE HAS DONE THIS AGAINST ME.
8 I'VE NEVER TOUCHED THIS LADY, SEEN THIS LADY, BUT BECAUSE OF
9 LIEUTENANT DELMEESE AND THE SHERIFF DEPARTMENT CONJURED THINGS
10 UNDER MY NAME, THEY THOUGHT IT WOULD SILENCE ME. AND IT'S NOT.
11 I'M NEVER GOING TO STOP TALKING ABOUT IT. NEXT WEEK I'M FILING
12 A RESTRAINING ORDER. I'M GOING TO LIST FOUR OF THE TOP SHERIFF
13 DEPUTIES. I WILL BE BACK HERE TO ALSO PROVIDE YOU THE CASE
14 NUMBER. AND I WILL BE HERE EVERY WEEK UPDATING YOU WITH THE
15 COURT CASE NUMBER AND MEDIA TO BE INVOLVED. SO AT WHAT POINT
16 IN TIME CAN I MEET WITH YOU? AND WHEN CAN YOU ADMONISH AND GET
17 A BOARD DIRECTION OR STATEMENT REGARDING MY MATTER THE WAY
18 YOU'RE DOING WITH OTHER HIS HISPANICS THAT IS ON THIS PAPER,
19 WHICH I'M NOT AGAINST. BUT I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW AT WHAT POINT
20 WERE YOU GOING TO DO THAT FOR ME.

21

22 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. AND I KNOW YOU HAVE BEEN IN TOUCH
23 WITH MY CHIEF OF STAFF. WOULD YOU LIKE TO RIGHT NOW?

24

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1 **SPEAKER:** WELL, HE CAN'T PROVIDE IT. I'VE ALREADY PROVIDED TO
2 YOU. IT'S UP TO YOU, MA'AM. YOU KEEP REFERRING IT BACK TO HIM.
3 SO, IS HE GOING TO SPEAK FOR YOU?

4

5 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** WE'LL WORK ON THIS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR
6 COMING. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

7

8 **SPEAKER:** I FEEL THE URGENCY IN THIS YOUNG MAN'S SITUATION. IT
9 IS MOST URGENT. YOU ARE POSTURING AS IF YOU ARE HONORING OR
10 CELEBRATING OR GIVING HOMAGE TO BLACK PEOPLE'S CONTRIBUTION IN
11 FEBRUARY, WHICH IS THE SHORTEST MONTH OF THE YEAR. WELL, THEN
12 SHOW YOUR COMMITMENT TO HELPING BLACK PEOPLE AND LISTEN TO
13 THIS MAN AND HOPEFULLY HELPING HIM AND CURING HIM AND GIVING
14 HIM SOME SUPPORT IN HIS NEED AND IN HIS PAIN. WHAT I'D LIKE TO
15 SAY ABOUT IN 11, IT'S WONDERFUL. AMERICA NOW IS GOING BACK TO
16 A SYSTEM WHEN BLACK WOMEN THAT ARE SINGLE LIKE MYSELF HAVE NO
17 PROTECTION. AGAIN, MEXICAN IMMIGRANTS BECAUSE I'M ALONE
18 CONSIDER ME THEIR SEX GODDESS. I'M NOT THEIR SEX GODDESS FOR
19 THIS IN EVERY RECORD IN EVERY UNIVERSE. I'M NOT THEIR LETTER.
20 I'M NOT THEIR EXPERIMENT. AGAIN THE IMMIGRANT MEXICAN HISPANIC
21 WOULD NOT BE HERE IF IT WAS NOT FOR THE FACT THAT, AGAIN, THEY
22 ARE REPLACING BLACK PEOPLE. AS BLACK PEOPLE ARE BEING
23 SYSTEMATICALLY EXTERMINATED BY THE POLICE, BY EPIDEMICS,
24 A.I.D.S., CRACK, AND EVERY OTHER MEANS THAT THE SYSTEM IS
25 USING TO EXTERMINATE US PER FEDERAL DECREE, I THINK, JUST LIKE

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1 TUSKEGEE EXPERIMENTS. SO INSTEAD OF GIVING MONEY AND WORD ONLY
2 FOR FEBRUARY, GIVE HOUSING TO BLACK PEOPLE. BLACK COMMUNITIES
3 NOW ARE ALMOST COMPLETELY HISPANIC. I'M FROM INGLEWOOD.
4 INGLEWOOD, WHEN I MOVED THERE IT WAS AFTER WHITE FLIGHT IN THE
5 '50S AND EARLY '60S BECAME PREDOMINANTLY BLACK. NOW IT'S
6 PREDOMINANTLY HISPANIC. WHERE ARE THE BLACK PEOPLE ARE GOING?
7 MAJORITY OF BLACK PEOPLE ARE ON SKID ROW. THEY ARE BEING
8 HERDED INTO THE PRISONS AS THE NEW PLANTATIONS AND PENTHOUSES.
9 I'M NOT GOING THERE. AGAIN, I'M NOT A RACIST. IF YOU ARE
10 HONORING BLACK PEOPLE, THEN GIVE MORE JOBS AND HOUSING, AND
11 VETERANS AS WELL. AND I THINK THERE SHOULD BE A PRIORITY
12 PLACED ON GIVING HOUSE AND JOBS TO THE BLACK PEOPLE INSTEAD OF
13 GIVING PRIORITY TO LETTING MORE IMMIGRANTS IN. ALLEVIATE THE
14 HOMELESS BLACK POPULATION.

15

16 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** YOUR TIME IS UP. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

17

18 **GEORGE BUZZETTI:** GEORGE BUZZETTI, CONCERNING ITEM 7, WHY ARE
19 WE TALKING ABOUT EXTENDING THE REWARD WHEN THE REWARD SHOULD
20 NEVER BE EXTENDED? IT SHOULD BE PERMANENT. THERE IS NOTHING
21 MORE SERIOUS IN OUR SOCIETY THAN USELESS HOMICIDES FOR NO
22 REASON. AND THIS FILTHY MARY THE WICKED WICKHAM AND YOUR
23 FILTHY L.A. D.A. PUBLIC DEFENDER MENTAL HEALTH DON'T CARE
24 ABOUT ANYTHING, I TOLD YOU BEFORE AND SCARED THE HELL OUT OF
25 YOUR STUPID SHERIFFS ON THE ROSES BY TELLING YOU WHAT REALLY

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1 GOES ON IN THESE PLACES. YOU ARE TRYING TO PUT ME IN A MENTAL
2 HOSPITAL BECAUSE I'M INCOMPETENT ON FEBRUARY 4TH. AND BY THEN,
3 YOU ARE ALL IN DEEP TROUBLE FEDERALLY, INCLUDING YOUR OFFICERS
4 HERE, YOU DUMMIES. WHEN YOU KNOW OF A FEDERAL CRIME, YOU ARE
5 GOING TO REPORT IT, NOT SIT THERE. I HAVE THE FEDERAL LAW,
6 FOOLS, AND I WORK WITH B.A.C.A., FOOLS, TO FIX THIS STUPID
7 MESS. AND WHAT DO YOU DO? YOUR STUPID SHERIN'S A PART OF
8 PUTTING 68 BEDS INSTEAD OF 60 IN THE MENTAL HOSPITAL IN THE
9 JAIL, STUPID PEOPLE. AND YOU CUT OUT HALF THE CHAIRS AND
10 TABLES. YOU THINK THIS IS A JOKE, JANICE HAHN? YOU SHAME YOUR
11 FATHER. YOU ARE ALLOWING THIS TO GO ON. YOU'RE ALLOWING
12 ILLEGAL PROSECUTIONS. YOU'RE ALLOWING ILLEGAL CHARGES. YOU
13 ARE ALLOWING FELONIES. YOU DON'T CARE WHETHER THESE PEOPLE ARE
14 KILLED. YOU DON'T CARE ABOUT NOTHING. NOW LET'S GO TO
15 SOMETHING REALLY IMPORTANT. I WENT TO THE VOTING THING AT THE
16 DOROTHY CHANDLER. I THOUGHT IT WAS ABOUT ARTS, BUT I'M REALLY
17 GLAD I WENT BECAUSE THERE'S SOMEBODY IN THIS TOWN DOING
18 SOMETHING IMPORTANT CONCERNING VOTING. WILL YOU PLEASE HAVE
19 THOSE PEOPLE COME IN HERE AND MAKE A PRESENTATION ON YOUR NEW
20 VOTING TECHNIQUES THAT YOU'RE DOING THAT ARE SO WONDERFUL? IF
21 THERE IS ONE THING THAT I CAN SAY TO YOU THAT SOMEBODY IS
22 DOING GOOD HERE, IT IS THAT. COULD YOU PLEASE DO THAT? THOSE
23 TWO LADIES ARE SO COOL. THEY DIDN'T NEED A PROMPTER OR
24 ANYTHING, OKAY? AND IF WE DON'T HAVE A VOTE, AND THIS WAS A
25 NIGHTMARE HERE. BUT THEY HAVE ACTUALLY DONE, IN FACT, THE

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1 COUNTY CAN MAKE A LOT OF MONEY BECAUSE YOU NOW OWN THE OPEN
2 PROCESS. WE DON'T HAVE TO DEAL WITH THESE FOOLISH CROOKED
3 COMPUTER COMPANIES ANYMORE. YOU GUYS CAN BE THE LEADERS IN THE
4 UNITED STATES FOR NON-CROOKED VOTING WITH YOUR NEW SYSTEMS. DO
5 YOU UNDERSTAND WHAT THE HELL IS GOING ON HERE WITH OUR VOTING,
6 PEOPLE? WILL YOU PLEASE GET THOSE PEOPLE IN HERE AND HAVE THEM
7 MAKE A PRESENTATION?

8

9 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, YOUR TIME IS EXPIRED.

10

11 **GEORGE BUZZETTI:** FOR ONCE, I DIDN'T GET UP YOUR REAR, YOU
12 KNOW?

13

14 **ANTONIA RAMIREZ:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. ITEM 2D AND 13 ARE
15 RELATED. I'M IN A QUANDARY. IT SAYS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF
16 THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION WILL EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT
17 BETWEEN THE COUNTY AND THE LINK HOUSING CORPORATION FOR THE
18 NEGOTIATION OF THE POTENTIAL DEVELOPMENT OF THE COUNTY-OWNED
19 PROPERTY. IT TELLS YOU IN SOUTH WHITTIER. IS THIS PROPERTY
20 GOING TO BE USED FOR HOMELESS PURPOSES, OR WILL IT BE USED FOR
21 ANOTHER OFFICE EXTENSION OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY OFFICES? I
22 DON'T KNOW. IT DOESN'T SAY. SO THAT'S -- THAT'S VAGUE. AND
23 NOW, GOING ON TO ITEM NUMBER 11, THE CITY OF PASADENA'S ANNUAL
24 BLACK HISTORY. I'M ALL FOR IT. I THINK WE SHOULD HAVE A
25 HISTORY FOR EVERY RACE BUT, MORE IMPORTANTLY, EVEN FOR THE

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1 AMERICANS. WE NEED TO DO SOMETHING FOR THE AMERICAN RACE. BUT
2 HERE WE HAVE A BLACK HISTORY RACE, AND I THINK WE SHOULD HAVE
3 A PARADE THAT WILL WAVE THE COUNTY BANDWAGON FOR THE TOTAL SUM
4 OF 1,250. I WOULD HOPE THAT THE CITY OF PASADENA WILL HONOR
5 BLACK LEADERS WHO ARE REAL MEN WHO DON'T CONDONE VIOLENCE,
6 PIMPING, DRUGS, BUT WHO WILL HONOR GREAT BLACK LEADERS SUCH AS
7 ONE THAT I HAD MET PERSONALLY, THE LEGAL ICONIC GENTLEMEN WHO
8 IS NOW DECEASED, AND THAT WAS BERNARD JEFFERSON, JUSTICE
9 BERNARD JEFFERSON. HE WAS CALLED BERNIE BY HIS DEAR FRIENDS. I
10 HAD THE PLEASURE OF MEETING THIS WONDERFUL MAN. HE PASSED AWAY
11 AND WROTE THE BENCHBOOK ON EVIDENCE. SECOND, THE HONORABLE AND
12 GREAT STUNNING MAN AND BRILLIANT MAN, THE HONORABLE CLARENCE
13 THOMAS. THOSE ARE GREAT LEADERS. WHY CAN'T YOU, THE AFRICAN-
14 AMERICAN COMMUNITY, HONOR THE GREATNESS OF THE BLACK PEOPLE.
15 AND LOVELY MICHELLE AUTRY TAUGHT ME TO SAY, I'M NOT A HOOD
16 RAT, HO. ANYWAY, I LOVED IT. I LOVED IT. SO BRING ABOUT THE
17 GREATNESS OF THE BLACK PEOPLE. DON'T CONDONE THE VIOLENCE AND
18 THE WICKEDNESS AND THE CRIMES THAT THEY COMMIT. THOSE ARE
19 [EXPLETIVE].

20

21 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME IS UP. DR. GENEVIEVE.

22

23 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVRUEL:** GOOD AFTERNOON. I'M NOT USED TO THOE
24 LANGUAGE. IT REALLY OFFENDS MY EARS. BUT ANYWAY, I WANT TO
25 FOCUS ON ITEM 13 ABOUT HOUSING AND SO ON. I AM CONCERNED THOSE

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1 EXCLUSIVE SOLE VENDOR CONTRACT ALL THE TIME. AND ABOUT THE
2 ISSUE LAST WEEK ABOUT THE GENTLEMEN WHO WAS BY THE BUS STOP, I
3 WAS TOLD HE TOOK THE THING DOWN HIMSELF. WELL, LOOK AT THE
4 SIZE OF THAT SHELTER. YOU KNOW, IF THAT MAN ALONE COULD DO
5 THAT, HIRE HIM FOR PUBLIC WORKS BECAUSE IF HE DID ALL OF THAT
6 BY HIMSELF, HE DESERVES TO BE HIRED. DON'T TREAT THE PUBLIC
7 LIKE THEY ARE STUPID AND THEY DON'T KNOW. I'M HIGHLY OFFENDED
8 WHEN PEOPLE DO THAT. AND I KNOW I WILL FIND OUT WHO REMOVED
9 IT. AND I'M SURE IT WAS COUNTY I.S.D. WHO REMOVED IT, NOT ONE
10 HOMELESS MAN. ON ITEM 21, ON POSITION FOR FRED LEAF, I AM IN
11 SUPPORT OF THAT POSITION. BUT HOPE THAT IT WILL HAVE AN
12 APPROPRIATE BUDGET SO IT CAN DO THE RIGHT WORK BECAUSE THE
13 LAST FEW MONTHS, WHEN HE WAS INTERIM, MOST OF THE TIME, HE HAD
14 ONLY ONE PERSON HELPING HIM THREE DAYS A WEEK. AND HE HAD NO
15 BUDGET. SO I WILL REALLY WOULD LIKE TO KNOW WHAT BUDGET IS
16 COMING WITH THAT POSITION AND HOW MANY PEOPLE ARE GOING TO BE
17 ATTACHED TO WORK WITH HIM. THANK YOU.

18
19 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. IS ALL THE SPEAKERS?

20
21 **LORAYNE LINGAT, A.E.O.:** THAT IS.

22
23 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THAT CONCLUDES ALL THE SPEAKERS. OKAY, MADAM
24 EXECUTIVE OFFICER INDICATE WHAT AGENDA ITEMS WE WILL BE
25 VOTING.

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2 **LORAYNE LINGAT, A.E.O.:** THANK YOU. ITEMS 1D, 2D, 6, 7, 10, 11,
3 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, AND 21 WITH SUPERVISOR HAHN ABSTAINING ON
4 21. THOSE ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU.

5

6 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY, THOSE WILL BE MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
7 BARGER, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS, WITHOUT OBJECTION, THAT
8 WILL BE THE ORDER. NOW, UNBELIEVABLY, IT IS TIME FOR PUBLIC
9 COMMENT. SO THIS IS NOW AN OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS OF THE
10 PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON ITEMS OF INTEREST THAT ARE
11 WITHIN THE SUBJECT MATTER AND JURISDICTION OF THE BOARD. I
12 KNOW WE HAVE SOME PEOPLE IN LANCASTER AS WELL. SO PLEASE CALL
13 THEM UP.

14

15 **LORAYNE LINGAT, A.E.O.:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. WE ACTUALLY
16 HAVE ONE MEMBER LEFT AT LANCASTER, ROBERT GREEN. AND HE IS
17 READY TO SPEAK.

18

19 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY, GREAT.

20

21 **LORAYNE LINGAT, A.E.O.:** AND THEN ALSO IF WE CAN HAVE COME
22 FORWARD, IRENE PANG HERE AT THE HALL OF ADMINISTRATION,
23 KENNETH BATISTE, VICTOR TRUJILLO, LYDIA PONCE, ANNA VELASCO,
24 REV. DR. MELLO DESIRE, RED CHIEF HUNT, T CARTER, PRECIOUS
25 YOUNG, JOHN C., GEORGE BUZZETTI, JAMES ESSEX, ANTONIA RAMIREZ,

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1 RICHARD HERNANDEZ, YVONNE AUTRY, LYNNE PLAMBECK, HERMAN
2 HERMAN, AND ERIC PREVEN. PLEASE COME FORWARD.

3

4 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** SHOULD WE GO TO LANCASTER? LANCASTER. HELLO.

5

6 **ROBERT GREEN:** YEAH, YOU GOT ME. OKAY, THIS IS ROBERT GREEN.

7 AND I KNOW THE WEST VALLEY COUNTY WATER DISTRICT. I'M THE

8 DIRECTOR. I TURNED AN AMENDMENT IN ON OCTOBER 17TH TO BE IN

9 THE 23RD MEETING. IT WAS NEVER PUT IN FOR THE 23RD MEETING.

10 AND THE DIRECTORS MADE A NEW AMENDMENT UP WITHOUT ME THERE AND

11 THE OTHER DIRECTOR MISSING, NOT THERE. AND THEY GIVE ME A

12 SPECIAL MEETING ON THE 26TH OF OCTOBER. AND, GUESS WHAT? I

13 WASN'T THERE. RALPH MCKETCHAM WASN'T THERE. AND THEY SENT THIS

14 THING TO ME TO GET ME OFF THE BOARD. AND I THINK THAT'S

15 UNFAIR. AND NOVEMBER 9TH, I GOT A LETTER FROM THEIR ATTORNEY

16 OVER IN CALABASAS, WHICH IS NOT THERE NO MORE. SHE MOVED TO

17 ARIZONA. AND THE SIGNATURE ON IT LOOKS LIKE IT IS FORGED AND

18 NOT TRUE.

19

20 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, LANCASTER. ALL RIGHT. NOW WE ARE

21 COMING BACK HERE.

22

23 **MR. CARTER:** YES, MY NAME IS MR. CARTER. IT IS INTERESTING, I

24 JUST SPOKE WITH YOU IN THE LIVE GROUP SETTING. THIS IS WHY I

25 CAME DOWN HERE. YOU GAVE AN INSTRUCTION TO YOUR CHIEF OF

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1 STAFF. I ADVISED HOW HE ASSISTED ME. I WENT OVER. I STIPULATED
2 IN THIS SETTING, THIS IS COMPLEX INFORMATION, BUT I GAVE YOU
3 NAMES. THIS IS A SERIOUS, SERIOUS ISSUE. AND I GO OVER TO YOUR
4 CHIEF OF STAFF, AND HE SAYS OH, WE'VE ASSISTED YOU. WE'VE DONE
5 THE BEST. I SAID THAT'S NOT WHAT MISS HAHN JUST STIPULATED.
6 SHE SAID TO GO OVER AND SPEAK WITH YOU REGARDING SETTING UP A
7 TIME SO I CAN GIVE DETAILED INFORMATION. SO, THIS IS WHAT I'M
8 TALKING ABOUT. WE'RE IN A LIVE OPEN SETTING. HE APPARENTLY IS
9 UNDER SOME DIFFERENT TYPE OF IMPRESSION. YOU WERE JUST
10 SPEAKING ENGLISH. AND WE'RE HERE. SO AT WHAT POINT ARE
11 DEALING WITH YOU VERSUS SINCE HE IS GIVING A DIFFERENT
12 INSTRUCTION, SORRY, HOW CAN I GET MY MATTER ON THE AGENDA
13 WHICH WILL NOT COST THE BOARD ANY MONEY BECAUSE THESE SAME
14 PEOPLE, I CAN GIVE YOU THEIR I.D. NUMBERS. I CAN TELL YOU
15 THEIR LOCATIONS SO THERE WOULD NOT BE A COST. I'M NOT SAYING
16 THERE SHOULDN'T BE A COST TO LOOK FOR OTHERS WHO'VE HARMED
17 SOMEONE. THAT'S A GOOD THING. BUT IN MY MANNER, IT WILL BE
18 LESS COST EFFECTIVE ALSO, SO THAT SHOULD BE A PLUS. AND AT
19 WHAT POINT, SINCE HE CAN'T RESPOND ON YOUR BEHALF, CAN I SET
20 SOMETHING UP WITH YOU, OR WHAT IS THE PROCEDURE FOR ME TO GET
21 MY MATTER ON HERE BECAUSE THE SHERIFF DEPUTIES ARE STILL
22 ALIVE. AND LIEUTENANT DELMEESE IS NOT APPOINTED UNDER THE NEW
23 SHERIFF. HE COULD BECOME A SHERIFF AT ANY DAY. AND HE HAD ME
24 KIDNAPPED AND PULLED AND BEATEN UP LIKE A RUNAWAY SLAVE.
25

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1 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. OKAY, WE WILL FIND OUT A TIME
2 WHEN I CAN MEET WITH YOU.

3

4 **MR. CARTER:** THROUGH YOU, OR BACK TO THE SAME PERSON I JUST
5 MADE THAT ADMONISHMENT?

6

7 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** NO, I HAVE THAT PROBLEM WITH MY CHIEF OF
8 STAFF ALL THE TIME. HE NEVER UNDERSTANDS WHAT I'M SAYING. WE
9 WILL MEET. ONLY I CANNOT RIGHT NOW BECAUSE I'M IN MIDDLE OF
10 THIS MEETING. BUT WE'LL FIND A TIME WHEN WE CAN SIT DOWN.

11

12 **MR. CARTER:** YOU'LL FIND TIME?

13

14 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** YES. I WILL. AND NICK, IF YOU'LL JUST FIND A
15 TIME WHEN WE CAN MEET.

16

17 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, U.S. GOVERNMENT HAD THANK GOODNESS.
18 AND THEY'RE NOT EXECUTION. U.S. GOVERNMENT NEED TO CONCERN THE
19 HEALTH AND THE ONE TIME MET IN THE HOURS FOR THE TECHNICALLY,
20 FOR THE SYSTEM WHAT IS IN THE CITY OF EL MONTE, BUT WHO ALSO
21 WANT FOR THE U.S., NATIONAL SECURITY. ACCORDING TO THE LAW,
22 ANYONE WHO FOUND MINERAL WALL WHERE THEY WANTED TO DIG OUT
23 THEIR MINERAL WALL AND USING AND PENNING ONLY NOT THE OTHERS.
24 EVEN THE MINERAL EASY TO FIND, AND THEIR SAME EARTH, THE
25 ENERGY FOUND IN THE WEAVE ANOTHER HEARTWORM DONE IN THE SONAR

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1 SYSTEM. U.S. NATION HAD THE WIRE FOR THE USING AND THEIR
2 PENDING ONLY. THE TECHNOLOGY SYSTEM, WORKING MEMBERS WHO
3 FOUNDED AND CREATE THE ENERGY WHO HAVE -- AND HAVE THE
4 DETAILED USING.

5

6 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, YOUR TIME IS EXPIRED. IF YOU
7 WOULD LIKE TO TURN THAT IN, WHAT YOU ARE READING, WE WILL BE
8 ABLE TO READ IT. BUT YOUR TIME IS UP, SO IF YOU WANT TO HAND
9 IT IN, WE CAN READ IT. THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

10

11 **VICTOR TRUJILLO:** HI, MY NAME IS VICTOR TRUJILLO. I'M ACTUALLY
12 FOR PUBLIC COMMENT, I WENT DOWN TO THE COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR'S
13 OFFICE AND COLLECTOR. I TALKED TO SERGIO MARQUEZ. HE WAS
14 STUNNED. HE DIDN'T KNOW THAT I WANTED TO MAKE PAYMENTS. HE
15 DIDN'T KNOW I CAME TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. HE SAID HE
16 GAVE ME A PAPER TO FILE A COMPLAINT AND TO FILE THIS LAWSUIT
17 AGAINST THE COUNTY. I TOLD HIM THERE WAS RECORDINGS OF THAT
18 MATTER. I TALKED TO BARGER'S OFFICE. THEY DENIED ME. I TALKED
19 ANTHONY BELL, TONY BELL, I'M SORRY. AND TO STEAL MY PROPERTY
20 AND SAY THAT I FORGED THE DOCUMENTS, THAT WAS THE KICKER. WE
21 HAVE BARGER'S ASSISTANT, ALLISON MENDEZ, WAS THERE. AND THE
22 CONSUMER AFFAIRS SAID THE LAWYERS TOLD US TO LIE. YOU ARE
23 GOING TO GO AWAY. WHAT WAS THE MEANING BEHIND THAT? WHY DIDN'T
24 ALLISON MENDEZ, BEING A LAWYER, KNOWING WHAT SHE WAS DOING,
25 BARGER'S OFFICE, HER ADMINISTRATOR JUMPED IN AND SAID, GET THE

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1 HELL OUT OF HERE. WE'RE CUTTING THE MEETING. NOBODY EVER
2 TALKED TO ME AFTER THAT. SO THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

5

6 **LYDIA PONCE:** THANK YOU, LYDIA PONCE WITH A.I.M. AMERICAN
7 INDIAN MOVEMENT. THE NATIONAL DATABASE FOR MISSING AND
8 MURDERED INDIGENOUS WOMEN IS PROVIDED BY ONE WOMAN, ANITA
9 LUCHESI OF THE SOVEREIGN BODIES INSTITUTE. THERE IS OVER A
10 BILLION DOLLARS FOR L.A.P.D. AND SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. I DON'T
11 KNOW WHAT THAT PARTICULAR FUNDING IS. BUT WE WERE ANSWERED AND
12 RESPONDED WITH, THEY ARE UNDERSTAFFED, AND THEY ARE UNDER
13 FUNDED, BOTH DEPARTMENTS, WHEN WE ASKED ABOUT INFORMATION TO
14 SUPPORT THE M.M.I.W. DATABASE. WE NEED TO DO A BETTER JOB. WE
15 MUST PARTICIPATE IN COLLECTIVELY SEARCHING AND PROVIDING
16 INFORMATION ABOUT INDIGENOUS WOMEN, YOUNG GIRLS AND BOYS, AND
17 TWO SPIRIT. LASTLY, I MUST EMPHASIZE THAT THERE'S A GREAT NEED
18 TO UTILIZE AFFIRM L.A.'S RECOMMENDATIONS IN CLOSING THE
19 ILLEGAL MASSAGE PARLORS. PLEASE SUPPORT THE VICTIMS OF HUMAN
20 TRAFFICKING AND SEX TRAFFICKING BY NOT CRIMINALIZING THEM. THE
21 POLICE AND SHERIFFS CANNOT BE PART OF THAT CONVERSATION. TO
22 RECOVER VICTIMS AND TO SUPPORT THEM TO TRANSITION FROM VICTIMS
23 TO SURVIVOR. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

24

25 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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2 **RICHARD HERNANDEZ:** IT HAS BEEN A LONG TIME, AND IT IS A LONG
3 DAY. I'M SURE EVERYBODY IS A LITTLE TIRED. I WILL TRY TO MAKE
4 THIS AS BRIEF AS POSSIBLE. MY NAME IS RICHARD HERNANDEZ. I'M
5 WITH SAFE HARBOR, C.E.O. AND DIRECTOR. I AM VERY PLEASED TO BE
6 ABLE TO PRESENT TO THIS BODY A MAJOR FINANCIAL BREAKDOWN THAT
7 WILL BENEFIT LOS ANGELES AND THE MUNICIPALITIES IN YOUR
8 DISTRICT AND EVENTUALLY THE STATE. THE BUSINESS SECTOR
9 UTILIZES RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT THAT INITIATES INNOVATIONS
10 CRITICAL FOR THEIR DEVELOPMENT AND GROWTH. R. & D. HAS
11 IDENTIFIED AND TRACED THE ORIGIN OF A FINANCIAL PROCESS THAT
12 IS CURRENTLY COSTING THE COUNTY VERY LARGE SUMS OF MONEY. THIS
13 SPECIFIC PROCESS IS FINANCIALLY AND LEGALLY RECOGNIZED AND SO
14 INTEGRATED INTO OUR SYSTEM THAT IT CANNOT BE ELIMINATED.
15 AMAZINGLY, BY IDENTIFYING THE PROBLEM, IT PROVIDED THE TOOLS
16 TO DEVELOP THE SOLUTION. IT IS WITH GREAT SATISFACTION THAT
17 GREAT SAFE HARBOR HAS BEEN DEVELOPED TO APPLY THE FINANCIAL
18 TECHNOLOGY OF ECONOMICS TO CERTAIN BUDGETARY ITEMS WITH THE
19 EXPRESS GOAL TO RECLAIM SUBSTANTIAL REVENUES FOR L.A. COUNTY
20 AND MUNICIPALITIES.

21

22 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.
23 DO YOU WANT TO HAND IN THE REST OF YOUR TESTIMONY? WE WILL BE
24 HAPPY TO READ IT. THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

25

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1 **GEORGE BUZZETTI:** GEORGE BUZZETTI. READING FROM DEPARTMENT OF
2 JUSTICE STUFF, LIKE I WAS TELLING YOU OFFICERS ABOUT, DUDIOS,
3 WHO DON'T EVEN KNOW YOUR JOB BECAUSE I BUSTED YOU FOOLS WITH
4 STEEL-TOED BOOTS YEARS AFTER YOU WEREN'T SUPPOSED TO HAVE THEM
5 IN THE JAILS. DO YOU PAY ATTENTION TO ANYTHING HERE?
6 DELIBERATE INDIFFERENCE TO SERIOUS MEDICAL CONDITION OR A
7 SUBSTANTIAL RISK OF HARM, YOU PUT ME IN THE STATE MENTALL
8 HOSPITAL AND FED ME ON AMBILLIFY, WHICH COULD KILL ME. YOU
9 TRIED TO. IT'S ILLEGAL TO GIVE IT TO ME. YOU SAID THAT I'M
10 DEMENTIAED. IT IS ILLEGAL. YOU TRIED TO GIVE ME AN EMBOLISM,
11 HEART ATTACK, AND STROKE. YOU CANNOT TAKE ME TO THE MENTAL
12 HEALTH COURT, FOUR TIMES, MUCH LESS TWO TIMES. STUPID PEOPLE,
13 MARY THE WICKED WICKHAM WHOSE ONLY JOB IS TO PROTECT THESE
14 CRIMINALS. IT IS RIGHT ON YOUR WEBSITE. AND YOU KNOW THE
15 SUBSTANTIAL EVIDENCE RULE IS FOOLS. MARY THE STUPID WICKHAM.
16 WHY DON'T YOU TAKE A LOOK AT WHAT IS GOING TO THE D.O.J., HUH?

17

18 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY, THAT'S ENOUGH, GEORGE, YOU'RE DONE.
19 YOU'RE DONE. GIVE SOMEBODY ELSE A CHANCE TO SPEAK. MR. PREVEN,
20 ARE YOU READY TO SPEAK?

21

22 **ERIC PREVEN:** SURE.

23

24 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. GO AHEAD.

25

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1 **ERIC PREVEN:** THANK YOU, IT IS ERIC PREVEN FROM THE THIRD
2 DISTRICT. AND I JUST WANTED TO MAKE A REQUEST. AND I KNOW THAT
3 FROM THE RIGHT PLACE THE OTHER DAY, THERE WAS THE DEATH OF THE
4 PRESIDENT. AND I THOUGHT THERE WAS A MOTION TO KIND OF CALL IT
5 QUITS FOR A DAY, TO TAKE A BREATHER, AND THERE WAS A -- THE
6 TIMES WROTE THAT IT WAS GOING TO COST \$10 MILLION. AND I DON'T
7 KNOW IF THAT IS ACCURATE. IT MIGHT BE. WHAT I DID WAS JUST SO
8 WE KNOW IN THE FUTURE BECAUSE WE'RE GOING TO HAVE OTHER
9 DIGNITARIES DIE, WHAT DID IT ACTUALLY COST? AND SO I ASKED
10 COUNTY COUNSEL AND THE N.A.M.O. AND ALL THE GROUPS. AND THEY
11 ALL AGREED TO HELP. AND THEY FOUND A WAY TO GET THE NUMBER.
12 BUT I'M ASKING WICKHAM BECAUSE SHE IS THE ONE IN CHARGE OF
13 TRANSPARENCY. THEY'VE SAID THAT IT'S GOING TO COST THE PUBLIC,
14 WE'RE GOING TO EAT THE 10 OR 11 MILLION, OR 9 MILLION,
15 WHATEVER IT IS. WE'LL EAT THE WHOLE COSTS OF THE DAY OFF. BUT
16 TO SEE THE RECORDS, WE GOING TO HAVE TO COME UP WITH \$2,100.
17 NOW I THOUGHT, WHAT DO YOU MEAN? THEY SAID, WELL WE HAVE TO
18 HIRE SOMEONE FOR \$30 AN HOUR TO LOOK AT OUR OWN RECORDS. I
19 SAID WELL, IS THERE ANY WAY THAT THE SUPERVISORS COULD EACH
20 CHIP IN FOUR HUNDRED OR THERE'S GOT TO BE SOME WAY TO GET THAT
21 LOOSENED UP. SO, I THOUGHT MAYBE I WOULD BRING IT UP HERE AND
22 SEE IF YOU GUYS CAN HELP. THANK YOU.

23
24 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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1 **SPEAKER:** YES, FOR THE RECORD, I'M AGAINST THE ARMING OF THE
2 DRONES WHICH I KNOW WILL BE USED TO CONTINUE EXTERMINATION OF
3 BLACK PEOPLE AND ANYONE THAT YOU CONSIDER TO BE UNDESIRABLE
4 THAT YOU ARE PUTTING IN THE TRASH. I WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK ABOUT
5 THE HUMAN EXPERIMENTS THAT ARE ONGOING, MANY OF THE T.I.S. I
6 FIND NEEDLE MARKS IN MY BACK. MY ROOM IS SPRAYED WITH GERM
7 WARFARE, PESTICIDES BECAUSE I'M THE PEST. POOR PEOPLE THAT ARE
8 BEING EXPERIMENTED ON AND THEN USUALLY THE ELECTRONIC WEAPON
9 IS USED. AND THEY HAVE HEART ATTACKS OR STROKES MYSTERIOUSLY
10 WHERE THERE IS AN ELECTRONIC WEAPON THAT IS BEING USED TO
11 CAUSE THIS. AND THE GOVERNMENT, THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, IS
12 PROLIFERATING THIS ELECTRONIC WEAPON. I WOULD LIKE TO GO ON
13 THE RECORD TO SUPPORT THE WOMEN, THERE IS FEMICIDE. AGAIN, THE
14 MEXICAN HISPANIC MAINTENANCE. AND THERE ARE SOME BLACK MEN.
15 THERE ARE MEN OF EVERY RACE. IT IS A FRATERNAL ORDER THAT IS
16 MURDERING WOMEN. A LOT OF LATINAS IN THEIR OWN COUNTRIES ARE
17 BEING MURDERED. AFRICAN WOMEN ARE BEING ABDUCTED. SO AGAIN,
18 THERE NEEDS TO BE SOME PROTECTION FOR THE WOMEN, ESPECIALLY
19 WITH THE IMMIGRATION.

20
21 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, YOUR TIME IS UP. NEXT SPEAKER,
22 PLEASE.

23
24 **ANTONIA RAMIREZ:** THANK YOU, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, I AM AN
25 IMMIGRANT. AND I'M A LAWFUL AMERICAN IMMIGRANT BY THE RULE OF

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1 LAW. AND I HAPPEN TO LOVE THE RULE OF LAW. AND THESE
2 UNETHICAL, IMMORAL, MASONIC ATTORNEY [EXPLETIVE] ARE AIDING
3 AND ABETTING THESE CRIMINAL -- [EXPLETIVE] AND GANG BANGERS.
4 THEY ARE ENGAGED IN I.D. THEFT. THEY ARE ENGAGED IN FRAUD AND
5 VIOLENCE AND CRIMINAL MONOPOLIES.

6

7 **COUNTY COUNSEL:** MADAM, SOMEBODY FROM THE PUBLIC HAS WEIGHED IN
8 THAT YOUR CONDUCT IS DISRUPTIVE. YOUR CONDUCT IS -- THAT' WHAT
9 SOMEBODY AUDIENCE HAS JUST SAID.

10

11 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** ANTONIA.

12

13 **GEORGE BUZZETTI:** THEY DON'T HAVE THAT RIGHT.

14

15 **COUNTY COUNSEL:** YES, THEY DO.

16

17 **ANTONIA RAMIREZ:** THIS IS MY SPEECH. AND IT'S CULTURAL. AGAIN -
18 - .

19

20 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** WAIT, PLEASE, WAIT, JUST WAIT. WE HAVE A FEW
21 MORE SPEAKERS WHO WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD IN THIS
22 FINAL FEW MOMENTS. LET'S GIVE EVERYBODY RESPECT, BUT I WOULD
23 ASK THOSE THAT SPEAK, EVEN THOUGH YOU HAVE THE RIGHT, TO
24 REFRAIN FROM LANGUAGE THAT OFFENDS, NOT EVEN US, NECESSARILY,
25 BUT SOME MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC HAVE SAID --

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2 **ANTONIA RAMIREZ:** THEY OFFEND ME. I LIVE ON THE STREETS.

3

4 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** ANYWAY, SO I'M JUST SAYING, KEEP TO THAT, OR
5 WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO REMOVE YOU. AND NO YELLING FROM THE
6 AUDIENCE. OKAY, ANTONIA.

7

8 **ANTONIA RAMIREZ:** THANK YOU AGAIN. THEY OFFEND ME BECAUSE I AM
9 A LAWFUL RESIDENT. I LIVE ON THE STREET. I HAVE BEEN
10 IRREPARABLY HARMED BY THEIR EGREGIOUS GANG STALKING HARASSMENT
11 REPTILIAN LIZARD STYLE OF WAY LIVING. MANY AMERICANS WHO LIVE
12 ON THE STREETS HAVE BEEN HARMED BY THESE [EXPLETIVE] AND GANG
13 BANGERS. -- GOD BLESS AMERICA AND DONALD TRUMP AND OUR
14 MILITARY. GOD BLESS AMERICA.

15

16 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. HERMAN.

17

18 **HERMAN HERMAN:** SO IT IS APPARENT WE HAVE DIFFERENT RULES,
19 DIFFERENT LAWS, AND A PATTERN OF PRACTICE TO INTERRUPT THE
20 CHAIRMAN WHO CONDUCTS THE FLOOR. AND SO I ADVISE COUNSEL AND
21 SOME OF YOU ELECTED OFFICIALS THAT YOU MUST STOP VIOLATING OUR
22 CIVIL RIGHTS SIMPLY BECAUSE OF OUR, WHAT WE HAVE TO SAY. JUDGE
23 DEAN PERGISON RULED FOR THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES IN DAVID
24 SALSBERG V. THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES. DO YOU NOT REMEMBER, MS.
25 HAHN? ZUMA D O DOUBLE G DOG, SUED THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES

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1 BECAUSE OF RETALIATION AND OTHER THINGS THAT THE CITY PUSHED
2 LAWS OF ENFORCEMENT, OF BAD RULES, BAD FAITH. IF YOU CANNOT
3 TAKE THE JOB, THEN STEP DOWN. WE ARE THE LEGISLATIVE BODY. AND
4 WE RULE WHAT WE WANT TO SAY BY OUR OPINION.

5

6 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU FOR THAT. ARE THERE ANY MORE
7 SPEAKERS? TWO MORE. PLEASE CALL THEM UP.

8

9 **LORAYNE LINGAT, A.E.O.:** THE FINAL TWO SPEAKERS ARE COMING
10 FORWARD.

11

12 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WELCOME, AND GO AHEAD AS SOON AS
13 YOU'RE READY.

14

15 **LYNNE PLAMBECK:** HI, MY NAME IS LYNNE PLAMBECK. AND I'M HERE
16 WITH SANTA CLARITA ORGANIZATION FOR PLANNING AND THE
17 ENVIRONMENT. AND IT'S JANUARY. AND SO WE JUST WANTED TO COME
18 AND UPDATE YOU ABOUT CONCERNS ON THE CHICITA CANYON
19 LANDFILL ISSUE. YOU KNOW CONDITION 68 THAT BOTH YOU AND
20 SUPERVISOR SOLIS WORKED SO HARD ON, SEEMS TO NOT BE ENFORCED.
21 THAT WAS THE AIR MONITORING SECTION. I HAD A VERY NICE
22 DISCUSSION WITH YOUR STAFF PERSON, CHRIS PERRY, BUT I DID WANT
23 THE WHOLE BOARD TO KNOW ABOUT THIS, THAT THERE WAS SUPPOSED TO
24 BE AIR MONITORING IN THE COMMUNITY IN 12 LOCATIONS. THAT'S NOT
25 OCCURRING. THERE'S SOME VERY HIGH EXCEEDANCES OF METHANE. AND

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1 THE HEALTH ASSESSMENT ISN'T COMPLETED. IT WAS SUPPOSED TO BE
2 WITHIN A YEAR. AND THIS IS A YEAR AND A HALF. SO WE JUST WANT
3 TO BRING TO YOUR ATTENTION THAT, I KNOW THAT THE SUPERVISORS -
4 - WE CONTINUE TO OBJECT TO THE LANDFILL. WE THINK THERE ARE
5 SOME REALLY BIG HEALTH ISSUES. ALSO, I KNOW YOUR OFFICE HAS
6 BEEN CONTACTED BY A YOUNG MAN, GAVIN TATE. I'M JUST ASKING IF
7 YOU COULD HELP HIM WITH SOME OF HIS ISSUES. THEY DON'T HAVE
8 THE MONEY TO DO THE HEALTH TESTS.

9

10 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

11

12 **SUP. BARGER:** SO, WE ARE GOING TO WORK WITH PUBLIC HEALTH.

13 THANK YOU FOR COMING DOWN, FIRST OF ALL, ON THAT. I'M EQUALLY
14 AS CONCERNED ABOUT MAKING SURE THE MONITORING IS DONE.

15 SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND I BOTH MADE SURE THAT IS INCLUDED. AS FAR
16 AS THE WATER, WE ARE WORKING ON THAT TO SEE HOW WE CAN GET IT
17 TESTED. WE ARE AWARE OF THE YOUNG MAN THAT CAME FORWARD. THANK
18 YOU.

19

20 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. LAST SPEAKER. JAMES, WELCOME.

21

22 **JAMES ESSEX:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I LOVE YOU. I LOVE THE WAY
23 THAT YOU CONDUCT THESE MEETINGS WITH SUCH CLARITY AND

24 INTELLIGENCE AND PEACE. I WANT TO THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THE

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1 OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK TO YOU. I TURNED 77 ON THE 16TH OF
2 JANUARY.

3

4 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** NO, THAT CAN'T BE TRUE.

5

6 **JAMES ESSEX:** EVERYBODY SAYS YOU CAN'T BE 77. YES, I AM. AND I
7 HAVE A LOT OF PERSONAL SECRETS THAT HAS TO DO WITH NOT AGING.
8 AND I WOULD LIKE TO BE ABLE TO OFFER THEM TO THIS BODY HERE
9 BECAUSE ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT THINGS TO DO IS
10 CONSCIOUSNESS OF FOOD. AND I HAVE BEEN LIVING THAT. THAT'S
11 PROBABLY WHY I LOOK LIKE I'M IN MY '50S, SOME PEOPLE SAY. SO
12 I'M AVAILABLE FOR THAT. MY HANDS DON'T WORK, THOUGH, SO ALL
13 THE PAPERS AND THAT -- I'D LOVE TO MAKE A BEAUTIFUL
14 PRESENTATION LIKE SHEILA KUEHL SAYS THIS IS A GOOD
15 PRESENTATION. I WANT TO DO THAT. BUT I NEED A LITTLE BIT OF
16 HELP. SO IF YOU CAN BUDGET SOME TIME, I WOULD BE TOTALLY
17 AVAILABLE. HAVE A GREAT DAY.

18

19 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU FOR BEING
20 HERE. FOREVER YOUNG. IS THAT ALL THE SPEAKERS THAT WOULD LIKE
21 TO ADDRESS US? OKAY. THEN, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO GO TO
22 ADJOURNMENTS STARTING WITH DISTRICT TWO.

23

24 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MADAM CHAIR AND COLLEAGUES, WOULD YOU
25 PLEASE JOIN ME IN ADJOURNING IN MEMORY OF LEONORE NAVARRO,

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1 BORN OCTOBER 9, 1959 IN GUADALAJARA, MEXICO. SHE PASSED AWAY
2 ON JANUARY 11TH IN INGLEWOOD AT THE AGE OF 59. SHE ATTENDED
3 SANTA MONICA HIGH SCHOOL AND WAS LATER EMPLOYED BY THE LOS
4 ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT. MS. NAVARRO WILL BE
5 REMEMBERED FOR HER PASSION FOR WORKING WITH CHILDREN. SHE IS
6 SURVIVED BY THREE CHILDREN. FERNANDO WE ALL KNOW AND LOVE ON
7 MY STAFF, HUMBERTO, OMAR, AND HER SIBLINGS, PEDRO, RAMON,
8 ROSALINDA, SUCURO, SUZANNA, EXTENDED FAMILY AND FRIENDS WHO
9 WILL ALL MISS LEONORE NAVARRO WITH ALL THEIR HEART. MAY SHE
10 REST IN PEACE. DR. JAMES D. COLLINS PASSED ON DECEMBER 21 AT
11 THE AGE OF 87. HE ATTENDED U.C.L.A. AND PLAYED ON THE FOOTBALL
12 TEAM WHILE WORKING TOWARDS HIS B.A. DEGREE. DR. COLLINS WAS
13 STATIONED IN GERMANY WHILE HE SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES
14 ARMY. AFTER HIS DISCHARGE FROM MILITARY SERVICE, HE RETURNED
15 TO U.C.L.A. TO EARN HIS MASTER'S DEGREE IN ZOOLOGY. THAT WAS
16 IN THE YEAR OF 1959. AND HE ATTAINED HIS M.D. FROM MEHARRY
17 MEDICAL COLLEGE IN 1963. AND AT THE COMPLETION OF HIS
18 RADIOLOGY RESIDENCY, DR. COLLINS JOINED THE U.C.L.A. RADIOLOGY
19 FACULTY AND LATER SERVED AS THE ATTENDING PHYSICIAN AT OLIVE
20 VIEW MEDICAL CENTER, THE VETERAN'S ADMINISTRATION, AND MARTIN
21 LUTHER KING, JR. HOSPITAL. WHILE AT U.C.L.A., HE WAS THE FIRST
22 CLINICIAN IN THE RADIOLOGY DEPARTMENT TO PERFORM IMAGE-GUIDED
23 BIOPSY PROCEDURES, CONTRIBUTED TO THE SCHOOL OF MEDICINE'S
24 ANATOMY COURSE FOR FIRST-YEAR MEDICAL STUDENTS, AND SERVED AS
25 THE DIRECTOR OF THE MEDICAL STUDENT TEACHING PROGRAM IN

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1 RADIOLOGY FOR THIRD-YEAR STUDENTS. AND THEN IN 2017, DR.
2 COLLINS WAS RECOGNIZED AS AN HONORARY MEMBER OF THE AMERICAN
3 ASSOCIATION OF CLINICAL PHYSICIANS FOR HIS CONTRIBUTIONS TO
4 THE FIELD OF CLINICAL ANATOMY. HE WILL BE REMEMBERED AS AN
5 INNOVATOR, A MENTOR, AND FOR HIS COMMITMENT TO MEDICAL
6 RESIDENT AND STUDENT EDUCATION. HE IS SURVIVED BY TWO
7 DAUGHTERS, JELANA AND JENINE, SON KEITH, 9 GRANDCHILDREN, 3
8 GREAT GRANDCHILDREN, EXTENDED FAMILY AND FRIENDS, ALL OF WHOM
9 WILL MISS DR. JAMES D. COLLINS WITH ALL THEIR HEART AND MIND.

10

11 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KUEHL.

12

13 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE
14 ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF MONICA WEIL, WHO DIED
15 ON JANUARY 4TH. SHE WAS AN ATTORNEY WHO WORKED WITH THE
16 HARRIET BUHAI CENTER FOR FAMILY LAW, ALSO WORKED FOR THE SAN
17 FRANCISCO OPERA. SHE WAS A BOARD MEMBER AND PRESIDENT OF THE
18 OPERA LEAGUE OF LOS ANGELES. SHE WAS DEEPLY DEDICATED TO
19 SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC JUSTICE, FAMILY LAW, AND COMMUNITY
20 SERVICE. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND, PAUL SCHRADER, AND HER
21 BROTHER, MARTIN WEIL. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS ON THAT.

22

23 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** ALL MEMBERS.

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1 **SUP. KUEHL:** AND SUPERVISOR SOLIS. AND I MOVE THAT WHEN WE
2 ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF CHARLES ROBERT SIEVERS,
3 WHO DIED ON JANUARY 14TH, WHO OWNED FISHER LUMBER AND MALIBU
4 LUMBER. HE WAS AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE PACIFIC PALISADES
5 COMMUNITY AND A FOUNDER OF THE BOY'S CLUB OF SANTA MONICA. HE
6 IS SURVIVED BY HIS SISTER, EDNA, AND HIS CHILDREN, SUSIE,
7 NANCY, KATHY, JANE, AND ROBERT. AND I MOVE THAT WHEN WE
8 ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF WILBER "JESS" SWEETERS,
9 WHO WAS A FIRE CAPTAIN AND DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY. HE WAS A
10 FIREFIGHTER WITH THE CITY OF L.A. FIRE DEPARTMENT, EARNED HIS
11 LAW DEGREE IN HIS SPARE TIME. HE RETIRED FROM THE FIRE
12 DEPARTMENT AS A CAPTAIN AND BEGAN A SECOND CAREER AS A DEPUTY
13 DISTRICT ATTORNEY WITH THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES DISTRICT
14 ATTORNEY'S OFFICE. AFTER RETIREMENT, HE SERVED AS PRESIDENT OF
15 THE EXCEPTIONAL CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION, A COMPREHENSIVE SERVICE
16 PROVIDER FOR PEOPLE WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES. HE IS
17 SURVIVED BY FOUR OF HIS CHILDREN, STEVE, JIM, JULIANNE, AND
18 MARYCLAIRE. AND I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN
19 IN MEMORY OF GREG PETTIS. EVEN THOUGH GREG PETTIS IS NOT A
20 CONSTITUENT, HE WAS THE MAYOR AND A CITY COUNCIL MEMBER AT
21 CATHEDRAL CITY FOR MANY, MANY YEARS. AND HE DIED ON JANUARY
22 15TH. HE WAS FIRST ELECTED TO THE CATHEDRAL CITY COUNCIL IN
23 1994 AND SERVED UNTIL HIS DEATH. HE WAS THE CITY'S LONGEST
24 SERVING AND ITS FIRST OPENLY GAY COUNCIL MEMBER. HE WAS A
25 PROGRESSIVE LEADER, A BOLD ADVOCATE FOR PUBLIC TRANSIT, WHOSE

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1 INFLUENCE WAS FELT FAR OUTSIDE HIS COACHELLA VALLEY. HE RAN
2 FOR STATE ASSEMBLY, SERVED ON THE DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL
3 COMMITTEE, WAS PRESIDENT OF THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
4 ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS BROTHERS,
5 STEPHEN AND DAVID. HE WAS A GOOD FRIEND.

6

7 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** I WOULD LIKE TO JOIN YOU ON THAT BECAUSE I
8 SERVED WITH HIM ON S.C.A.G.

9

10 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HAHN AND SUPERVISOR BARGER.
11 THANK YOU. AND I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN
12 IN MEMORY OF DIANE OLSON, A VERY STRONG MARRIAGE EQUALITY
13 ACTIVIST, WHOSE NAME WAS ON ONE OF THE MAJOR CASES ON MARRIAGE
14 EQUALITY, WHO PASSED AWAY ON JANUARY 16TH. SHE AND HER WIFE,
15 ROBIN TYLER, WERE THE ORIGINAL PLAINTIFFS IN THE LAWSUIT THAT
16 HELPED TO BRING MARRIAGE EQUALITY TO CALIFORNIA. IN THE YEARS
17 BEFORE THEIR VICTORY IN THE STATE SUPREME COURT, THEY WOULD
18 APPEAR AT THE BEVERLY HILLS COURTHOUSE EVERY VALENTINE'S DAY
19 TO DEMAND RECOGNITION OF THEIR MARRIAGE. THEY WERE MARRIED FOR
20 OVER 25 YEARS AND LEGALLY MARRIED FOR 10 AND A HALF. SHE IS
21 SURVIVED BY HER WIFE, ROBIN TYLER, HER SISTER, DEBRA DEANNE
22 OLSON, HER NIECE, CHRYSTA OLSON BILTON, AND HER OTHER NIECE,
23 KAITLYN DIANE OLSON. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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1 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN TODAY IN
2 THE MEMORY OF RACHEL GARCIA, WHO WAS THE AUNT OF OUR EXECUTIVE
3 OFFICER, CELIA ZAVALA, WHICH IS WHY SHE IS NOT WITH US TODAY.
4 ALL MEMBERS. RACHEL WAS BORN IN MEXICO TO ENRICE AND GUADALUPE
5 RAMIREZ. AND WHEN SHE WAS JUST THREE YEARS OLD, HER AND HER
6 FAMILY MOVED TO THE UNITED STATES. RACHEL WAS ONE OF SEVEN
7 CHILDREN. SHE HAD THREE BROTHERS, RALPH, JESSIE, AND HENRY,
8 AND THREE SISTERS, GLAPHIRA, IMELIA, AND OPHELIA. RACHEL WAS A
9 DEVOTED WIFE TO HER HUSBAND OF 54 YEARS, TINO GARCIA.
10 TOGETHER, THEY RAISED THEIR THREE CHILDREN, TINO, JR., DONNA,
11 AND GINA. HER 8 GRANDCHILDREN AND THREE GREAT GRANDCHILDREN
12 WERE VERY SPECIAL TO HER AND A SOURCE OF PRIDE AND GREAT JOY.
13 SHE WAS KNOWN FOR HER SMILE THAT COULD LIGHT UP A ROOM. SHE
14 WILL BE REMEMBERED AS A WELL-DRESSED INTELLIGENT WOMAN WITH AN
15 AMAZING SENSE OF HUMOR WHO LOVED TO DANCE. OUR DEEPEST
16 SYMPATHIES GO TO CELIA. I ALSO MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN
17 TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF STEPHEN LYNN REED WHO PASSED
18 AWAY AT AGE 71 ON HIS 71ST BIRTHDAY. HE WAS BORN TO WARREN AND
19 ELIZABETH REED AND GREW UP IN TULSA, OKLAHOMA. AND AFTER
20 GRADUATING FROM U.C. BERKELEY, HE BRIEFLY LIVED IN SEATTLE
21 WHERE HE MET HIS WIFE DIANA COSS. THEY HAD TWO SONS AND
22 SETTLED IN THE CITY OF TORRANCE WHERE STEPHEN CONCLUDED HIS
23 RESIDENCY AT HARBOR U.C.L.A. MEDICAL CENTER WHICH INSPIRED A
24 LIFETIME COMMITMENT TO MENTAL HEALTH. STEPHEN HAD A MULTI-
25 FACETED CAREER AS A CLINICIAN, A PROFESSOR, AND EXPERT

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1 WITNESS. HE LOVED TO PRACTICE, SERVING OUR NATION'S VETS FOR
2 THREE DECADES AS A STAFF PSYCHIATRIST WITH THE V.A. AND
3 MAINTAINING A PRIVATE PRACTICE THAT KEPT HIM CLOSE TO HIS
4 PATIENTS. HE ALSO LOVED TO TEACH AND TOOK GREAT PRIDE IN
5 HELPING TO DEVELOP THE FIELD OF GERIATRIC AND, LATER, FORENSIC
6 PSYCHIATRY AT U.C.L.A. ALONG THE WAY, HE SERVED AS THE
7 FOUNDING MEDICAL DIRECTOR OF THE NEW JOHN DOUGLAS FRENCH
8 CENTER FOR ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE. STEPHEN BUILT A WORLD-WIDE
9 REPUTATION AS AN EXPERT IN THE AREAS OF ELDER ABUSE, CAPACITY,
10 AND UNDUE INFLUENCE. BUT TO HIS CHILDREN, HE WAS THEIR BELOVED
11 PAPA. HE HAD A SWEET VOICE FOR LULLABIES, LOVED PLAYING
12 SPORTS, AND WAS ALWAYS TEACHING. MORE THAN JUST KNOWLEDGE, HE
13 TAUGHT HOW TO LEARN THINGS. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, DIANA,
14 AND HIS SON JONATHAN AND ISAAC, WHOM I KNOW, AND THREE
15 GRANDDAUGHTERS, AND HIS YOUNGER, DR. MARY REED. SUPERVISOR
16 BARGER.

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18 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE
19 DO SO IN MEMORY OF GRACE LOPEZ. GRACE LOPEZ WAS THE MOTHER OF
20 LOS ANGELES TIMES COLUMNIST STEVE LOPEZ, WHO PASSED AWAY
21 JANUARY 15TH AT THE AGE OF 90. SHE PASSED AWAY PEACEFULLY IN
22 CONTRA COSTA COUNTY AFTER BATTLING HEART ISSUES AND KIDNEY
23 DISEASE. SHE WAS PRECEDED IN DEATH BY HER HUSBAND TONY. IN
24 SUNDAY'S EDITORIAL, STEVE TOLD HER STORY AND THE DIFFICULT
25 PROCESS HIS FAMILY EXPERIENCED WITH HIS MOTHER'S HOSPICE CARE.

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1 HE SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER THREE CHILDREN. WE SEND STEVE AND
2 HIS FAMILY OUR CONDOLENCES. ALSO, MARILYN RAE FORBES, A
3 RESIDENT OF THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE
4 OF 91. AFTER RAISING HER CHILDREN, SHE RETURNED TO SCHOOL
5 ATTENDING PACIFIC OAKS COLLEGE IN PASADENA WHERE SHE EARNED A
6 DEGREE SPECIALIZING IN TEACHING CHILDREN WITH DEVELOPMENTAL
7 DISABILITIES. SHE TAUGHT AT BASSETT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
8 UNTIL RETIRING IN 1993. SHE ENJOYED READING, CLASSICAL MUSIC,
9 AND TRAVELING. SHE MARRIED HER HUSBAND, GEORGE FORBES, IN
10 1994. TOGETHER THEY TRAVELED THE WORLD EXPLORING AND HIKING
11 THROUGHOUT THE U.S.A., ASIA, AND EUROPE. SHE IS SURVIVED BY
12 HER HUSBAND, GEORGE, THREE CHILDREN, FIVE GRANDCHILDREN, AND
13 SIX GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO JUNE HUFFMIRE-HAMILTON, A LONG
14 TIME RESIDENT OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE
15 AGE OF 93. SHE WAS ACTIVE IN THE COMMUNITY FOR YEARS AND WAS
16 INVOLVED IN MANY CIVIC ACTIVITIES. SHE TAUGHT SUNDAY SCHOOL AT
17 HER CHURCH. SHE WAS PAST PRESIDENT OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY
18 CHAPTER OF THE NATIONAL ASSISTANCE LEAGUE. SHE VOLUNTEERED
19 WITH THE ANTELOPE VALLEY LITERACY COUNCIL, AND WAS ALSO PAST
20 PRESIDENT OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY JUNIOR WOMEN'S CLUB. JUNE IS
21 SURVIVED BY HER DAUGHTER, SHARI, AND HER SON, CLIFTON, ALONG
22 WITH HER NUMEROUS GRANDCHILDREN, GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN AND
23 GREAT-GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO CHARLES THOMAS QUARRY, A LONG
24 TIME RESIDENT OF SANTA CLARITA, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF
25 94. A WORLD WAR II VET, HE SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY IN

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1 AN ARMORED TANK DIVISION AND WAS PART OF THE ARMY RODEO TEAM.
2 AFTER THE ARMY, HE SERVED WITH THE AEROSPACE INDUSTRY, A
3 MECHANIST FOR MOST OF HIS LIFE. HIS HUGE HEART HAD ROOM FOR
4 FOSTER CHILDREN THAT WOULD ARRIVE AT ALL HOURS TO HIS
5 EMERGENCY FOSTER CARE HOME. HE WAS ACTIVELY IN THE SANTA
6 CLARITA VALLEY SENIOR CENTER UNTIL HIS FINAL YEARS WHEN HE
7 RESIDED AT THE CAL-VET HOME WHERE HE ENJOYED THE CAMARADERIE
8 OF VETS AND ENGAGING ACTIVITIES AND TRIPS. HE IS SURVIVED BY
9 HIS TWO CHILDREN. ALSO DANIEL LANDSGAARD, A LONG TIME RESIDENT
10 OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 52.
11 DANIEL OBTAINED AN M.B.A. FROM LIBERTY UNIVERSITY WHERE HE
12 GRADUATED MAGNA CUM LAUDE. HE WAS THE BROKER AND PRESIDENT OF
13 THE ROSAMOND CENTURY 21 OFFICE AND SERVED ON THE BOARD FOR
14 MANY YEARS WITH THE LANCASTER ROTARY CLUB, ANTELOPE VALLEY
15 CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE, AND THE ROSAMOND COMMUNITY SERVICES
16 DISTRICT. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, AMY, AND DAUGHTER,
17 KRISTEN. ALSO HAROLD MGRUBLIAN, A 70-YEAR RESIDENT OF SOUTH
18 PASADENA, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 94. HE PROUDLY SERVED
19 IN THE ARMY AIR CORPS AS AN INTERCEPTOR OF FOREIGN
20 COMMUNICATIONS. UPON COMPLETING HIS SERVICE, HE ATTENDED FENN
21 COLLEGE IN CLEVELAND, AFTER WHICH, WORKED FOR THE PEERLESS
22 PUMP FOR 41 YEARS. HE WAS AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE COMMUNITY,
23 SERVING AS VOLUNTEER ENGINEER FOR THE SOUTH PASADENA FIRE
24 DEPARTMENT RESERVES, AND AS COMMISSIONER OF THE SOUTH PASADENA
25 NATURAL RESERVES COMMISSION. HE WAS A LOCAL LEADER IN THE

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1 ARMENIAN COMMUNITY, SERVING OVER 23 YEARS ON THE BOARD OF
2 TRUSTEES OF THE ARARAT HOME OF LOS ANGELES. HE IS SURVIVED BY
3 HIS WIFE OF 60 YEARS, ALICE, SON, DAVID, DAUGHTER, DIANE, AND
4 THREE GRANDDAUGHTERS. AND LAST, I MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN IN
5 MEMORY OF JAMES YOUNG, A 55 YEAR RESIDENT OF THE ANTELOPE
6 VALLEY, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 77. THE FAMILY MOVED TO
7 LANCASTER IN 1963 AND PURCHASED LAMB'S TRAILER SUPPLY,
8 RENAMING IT YOUNG'S TRAILER SUPPLY. IN 1976, THEY RELOCATED BY
9 THE FREEWAY AS YOUNG'S R.V., WHICH WAS THE LARGEST R.V. SALES,
10 PARTS, AND SERVICE CENTER IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY AND WAS OWNED
11 AND OPERATED BY JAMES AND HIS BROTHER LEWIS UNTIL THE LATE
12 1980S. IN RETIREMENT, JAMES ENJOYED TRAVELING TO VISIT FAMILY,
13 BUSINESS PROJECTS, AND MOTORCYCLE ADVENTURES. HE IS SURVIVED
14 BY HIS DAUGHTER, ANDREA, SON, JOHN, FOUR GRANDCHILDREN, AND
15 EXTENDED FAMILY. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS.

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17 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, WE WILL TAKE ALL THE MOTIONS AS
18 SECONDED. OH MY GOSH. I LEFT THE BEST FOR LAST. THE FIRST
19 CHAIR OF THE ORCHESTRA, THERE SHE IS. SUPERVISOR SOLIS. I'M
20 SORRY.

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22 **SUP. SOLIS:** IT IS OKAY. I HAVE THREE ADJOURNMENTS TODAY. AND
23 THE FIRST ONE, I WOULD LIKE MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN TODAY IN
24 MEMORY OF RAY ESQUIVEL. RAY ESQUIVEL WAS A PERSONAL FRIEND. I
25 KNEW HIM FOR MANY YEARS. HE WAS A PROFESSOR AT RIO HONDO

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1 COLLEGE. RAY ESQUIVEL WAS BORN ON MAY 9TH, 1945, AND PASSED
2 AWAY ON THURSDAY DECEMBER 17TH OF THIS YEAR. HE WAS ONE OF
3 NINE CHILDREN AND THE SECOND OLDEST OF FIVE BROTHERS AND THREE
4 SISTERS. GRADUATING FROM U.C.L.A., HE CONTINUED HIS EDUCATION
5 AT HARVEY MUDD COLLEGE AND ACHIEVED A MASTER'S IN MATHEMATICS,
6 SOMETHING MOST WOULD FIND IMPOSSIBLE TO DO WITH THREE CHILDREN
7 TO CHASE AROUND EVERY THURSDAY AND FRIDAY NIGHT, THE ONLY TIME
8 HE HAD TO STUDY. AS A PROFESSOR AT RIO HONDO COMMUNITY
9 COLLEGE FOR OVER 40 YEARS, HE WAS A BELOVED TEACHER AND
10 COLLEAGUE OF MANY. ONE OF HIS MOST CONSISTENT LESSONS WAS HOW
11 TO LOVE UNCONDITIONALLY AND ACCEPT OTHERS FOR WHO THEY ARE. HE
12 MADE AN IMPACT ON THOSE HE BEFRIENDED AND LOVED THROUGHOUT HIS
13 73 YEARS OF LIFE. HIS INFECTIOUS HUMOR, SARCASM, AND SHARP WIT
14 WERE ADORED BY HIS CHILDREN, HIS FRIENDS, AND COLLEAGUES, AND
15 EVERYONE WHO KNEW HIM. MR. ESQUIVEL IS SURVIVED BY HIS THREE
16 CHILDREN, JENNIFER, KATY, AND MARCO, HIS GRANDDAUGHTER,
17 ANTONIA ROSARIO, AND HIS HOST OF FAMILY AND FRIENDS WHO WILL
18 MISS HIM DEARLY. I ALSO MOVE TODAY THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY
19 OF RAUL ROMERO CARRIZOSA. MR. RAUL ROMERO CARRIZOSA WAS BORN
20 ON JULY 27, 1942 IN SONORA, MEXICO. HIS FATHER RAMON CARRIZOSA
21 MANAGED THE GREEN CATTLE COMPANY'S 650,000 ACRES AND 37,000
22 HEADS OF CATTLE. RAUL WAS THE YOUNGEST OF 8 SIBLINGS AND GREW
23 UP AS A WORKING VAQUERO. WHEN HIS FAMILY MIGRATED TO THE U.S.,
24 HE WORKED FOR WARNER BROTHERS COMPANY IN EL SOPORI RANCH.
25 LATER, HE MOVED TO CALIFORNIA WHERE HE WORKED AT THE SCHAFER

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1 RANCH IN CHINO. HE MARRIED HIS WIFE, CRISTINA CARRIZOSA. AND
2 THEY LIVED IN POMONA, IN THE FIRST DISTRICT, WHERE THEY RAISED
3 THEIR THREE CHILDREN AND FOSTERED TWO. RAUL LOVED HIS FAMILY
4 AND WAS VERY PROUD OF HIS THREE GRANDSONS AND TWO
5 GRANDDAUGHTERS. HE SHARED HIS LOVE FOR HORSES BY PARTICIPATING
6 IN MANY POMONA PARADES AS WELL AS IN OTHER COMMUNITIES. HIS
7 BELOVED HORSE ACCOMPANIED RAUL UNTIL THE VERY END. RAUL PASSED
8 AWAY AT THE AGE OF 76 ON DECEMBER 26, 2018. HE IS SURVIVED BY
9 HIS WIFE, CRISTINA, AND A HOST OF EXTENDED FAMILY MEMBERS AND
10 FRIENDS WHO WILL MISS HIM DEARLY. AND LASTLY, MADAM CHAIR, I
11 MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN TODAY IN MEMORY OF MANUEL SERRANO. MANUEL
12 SERRANO WAS BORN ON JULY 10TH, 1935, IN JUCHIPILA ZACATECAS,
13 MEXICO, PASSED AWAY ON JANUARY 17, 2019 AT THE AGE OF 83. HE
14 WAS ONE OF 8 SIBLINGS AND THE GRANDFATHER OF ONE OF MY STAFF
15 MEMBERS. MR. SERRANO WAS THE FIRST IN HIS FAMILY TO EMIGRATE
16 FROM MEXICO TO THE UNITED STATES. HE ARRIVED IN 1956 AS A PART
17 OF THE BRACERO PROGRAM. AND LATER, MR. SERRANO RELOCATED TO
18 LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND SETTLED HIMSELF WITH HIS FAMILY IN CITY
19 TERRACE IN THE FIRST DISTRICT. MR. SERRANO OWNED A SMALL
20 BUSINESS IN EAST LOS ANGELES KNOWN AS SERRANO'S PRODUCE.
21 FAMILY AND FRIENDS WILL REMEMBER HIM FOR HIS GIVING SPIRIT,
22 HIS HUMILITY, AND MOST OF ALL FOR BEING A LOVING FATHER,
23 HUSBAND, AND BROTHER. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, SIX
24 CHILDREN, AND GRANDCHILDREN, AND GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN. THANK
25 YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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2 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. DID WE GET EVERYBODY? ANYBODY
3 ELSE? OKAY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THOSE, AND WE WILL TAKE
4 ALL OF THOSE MOTIONS AS SECONDED. IS THERE AN OBJECTION TO
5 UNANIMOUS VOTE? SEEING NONE, THAT WILL BE THE ACTION. THAT
6 CONCLUDES TODAY'S MEETING. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE
7 READ US INTO CLOSED SESSION.

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9 **LORAYNE LINGAT, A.E.O.:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT
10 REQUIREMENTS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF
11 SUPERVISORS WILL CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM
12 NUMBER CS-1, DEPARTMENT HEAD PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS AS
13 INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. THANK YOU.

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5 CS-1. DEPARTMENT HEAD PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS
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8 Department Head performance evaluations. (11-1977)

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